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Dr. Loren Hamel, left, and Tina Freese Decker, the presidents and CEOs of Lakeland Health and Spectrum Health, respectively, on Monday unfurl a banner announcing the merger of the two systems. Officials say the new operation, called Spectrum Health Lakeland, can cut costs and offer more services to patients.

A banner day for Lakeland

Merger with Spectrum Health is finalized

By JOHN MATUSZAK
HP Staff Writer

ST. JOSEPH — From the top of its recently expanded parking garage, and within sight of an ongoing $160 million construction project on its St. Joseph campus, Lakeland Health officials on Monday took their latest leap into the future.

Dr. Loren Hamel, president and CEO of Lakeland, along with Tina Freese Decker, newly appointed head of Spectrum Health, unfurled a banner hailing the merger of the two systems, now known as Spectrum Health Lakeland. The intent to merge was announced in July, with an Oct. 1 goal to ink the deal.

The move represents the largest merger in the history of Grand Rapids-based Spectrum Health.

Hamel hailed the move that he said creates a 30,000-member family of physicians and other health specialists to expand care options for patients.

Lakeland will continue to be governed by a local board that will oversee operations, capital investment and philanthropic efforts. The Lakeland name will

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Calling all Tigers

Truancy prevention specialist stays positive while working to keep kids in school

By LOUISE WREGE
HP Staff Writer

BENTON HARBOR — "If I'm late for school and make that my habit, I'll be late for my life."

This is one of the sayings Benton Harbor's new truancy prevention specialist, Felicia Harvey, tells students as she encourages them to come to school on time every day.

She said most of the district's students have a myriad of personal challenges because of their at-risk status, due to coming from generational poverty or having grown up in a single-parent household.

Harvey said she is part of a new system put together by Superintendent/CEO Bob Herrera to address truancy. In the new system, she said success coaches and deans at each school work with the teachers and students to find out why the students are truant and to work with the parents to fix the problem.

Harvey gets involved after a student has three unexcused absences. By state law, she said the courts become involved after a student has 10 unexcused absences.

"It's important for all stakeholders and families to merge in solidarity to coerce attendance," she said. "It has to be a call to action."

She said it is vital for children to attend school.

"What we can't do in educating you, the (Berrien County) Truancy Academy and the judicial system will," she said.

It's especially important for students to come to school on Wednesday, which is the state's student count day, Harvey said. The amount of money school district's receive from the state is largely based on how many students show up on count day.

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New murals brighten the halls at BH middle school

By LOUISE WREGE
HP Staff Writer

BENTON HARBOR — It's a new day at the ACA.

Principal Fred Roseburgh of Benton Harbor's Arts & Communication Academy said the middle school has had a smooth start this year because of the school's dedicated staff and additional programs provided by Superintendent/CEO Bob Herrera.

"Dr. Herrera has been very supportive," he said. "We've put some things in place as far as interventions for extra support for kids academically. We also have behavioral support that we never had before. It's all meshing and working well together."

Roseburgh said he's been so inspired that over the summer, he painted several murals at the school to brighten the walls.

He said the off-white walls were bland and, in some places, needed painting.

"I wanted to liven it up some," he said. "I'm not an artist. I would sketch out things with an overhead and paint it."

When walking in the main doors, the first mural people see is about reading. He said another mural is about graduation.

"One (mural) is of a tree that is about 'pride' and 'do your personal best,'" he said. "It's like fruits with all these different sayings on it."

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Principal Fred Roseburgh from the district's middle school, Arts & Communications Academy, said the

Tony Wittkowski / HP staff

Eric Bradford paints a portion of a mural Monday that he plans to dedicate to Benton Harbor High School's state championship basketball team. Bradford opened a studio at The Orchards Mall and plans to hold workshops there in the winter.

A brush with creativity

Local muralist opens new studio at Orchards Mall

By TONY WITTKOWSKI
HP Staff Writer

BENTON TOWNSHIP — Eric Bradford wants to add some color to The Orchards Mall.

The Benton Harbor resident has made a name for himself as a muralist who has done several community pieces over the years – including the popular Jack Nicklaus putt at North Shore Inn.

In mid-July, Bradford signed on to open a studio at the Benton Township mall. He named it Fishbowl Art Studio.

Bradford chose the mall for several reasons.

In addition to needing a place to work outside of his home, Bradford said he wants the township to create its own artistic flair, something that Benton Harbor and St. Joseph have managed to develop over the years.

Eric Bradford eyes a polaroid picture of a Benton Harbor basketball player Monday as he works on a mural dedicated to last year's state championship team.

"I'm pretty excited about what this could be," Bradford said. "It lends itself to a nice ambient studio. Now it's about putting my own personality in here."

His studio, once home to Baker Books, is located near Slackers Family Fun Center. By being close to the kids who visit Slackers, along with their parents, Bradford said he has access to a wider range of clientele.

The studio will be used as Bradford's workplace. On Monday, Bradford was adding to a mural that shows a collage of memorable moments from Benton Harbor High School's state championship basketball team.

Bradford said he hopes to use his studio to showcase other artists, while also holding workshops. However, Bradford said the workshops won't likely be available until this winter when his other job enters the offseason.

"The main thing I want to get across is if you're interested in art and you want to network with a fellow artist, there's one here at The Orchards Mall," Bradford said. "It's one of my hopes to install a hub of an artistic network here in Benton Township." He has in mind what St. Joseph has with The Box Factory, and Benton Harbor has with the Arts District.

As winter nears, the studio's hours of operations are expected to increase. Until then, Bradford is open in the evenings on Monday, Wednesday and Friday. As a house painter, Bradford expects his hours to change based on the amount of outdoor work he gets.

"It's a good opportunity to get some face time with the public," Bradford said.

He gravitates toward portraits and favors a realistic approach.

So far, Bradford said he's gotten a lot of foot traffic as his current work has been getting attention. He's also been asked to commission several pieces.

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WH gives FBI freer rein in Kavanaugh investigation

By ERIC TUCKER and MICHAEL BALSAMO
Associated Press

Manuel Balce Ceneta / AP

Supreme Court nominee Brett Kavanaugh listens to Sen. Cory Booker, D-N.J., speak during a Senate Judiciary Committee nominations hearing on Capitol Hill in Washington last month.

WASHINGTON — The White House has given the FBI clearance to interview anyone it wants to by Friday in its investigation of sexual misconduct allegations against Supreme Court nominee Brett Kavanaugh.

The new guidance, described to The Associated Press by a person familiar with it, was issued to the FBI over the weekend in response to Democratic and news media pushback that the scope of the probe was too narrow.

It comes as the FBI presses ahead with its investigation, questioning in recent days at least three people about accusations of misconduct against Kavanaugh dating to when he was in high school and college. Among the witnesses interviewed were men who California college professor Christine Blasey Ford says were present at a party of teenagers in the early 1980s at which she says was sexually assaulted by Kavanaugh.

President Donald Trump, addressing concerns about the probe's expansiveness at a news conference Monday, said he wants the FBI to do a "comprehensive" investigation and "it wouldn't bother me at all" if agents pursued accusations made by three women who have come forward. But he also said Senate Republicans are determining the parameters of the investigation and "ultimately, they're making the judgment."

"My White House will do whatever the senators want," Trump said. "The one thing I want is speed."

The White House instructed the FBI to interview anyone it deems relevant to the inquiry, but required the work to be done by Friday, according to the person familiar with the discussions, who spoke on condition of anonymity to discuss private conversations.

The revised guidance was aimed at promoting an investigation that could tamp down Democratic criticism and satisfy on-the-fence Republicans about its thoroughness and fairness while also ensuring a fixed deadline to prevent the probe from becoming open-ended and spanning weeks. Officials said it was possible, but not likely, the bureau could complete its work before Friday.

Trump said a comprehensive investigation is "a good thing" for Kavanaugh and that while it was fine that the FBI wants to interview all three women who have made accusations, "we don't want to go on a witch hunt, do we?"

Sen. Susan Collins of Maine – one of three Republican senators who was instrumental last week in holding up Kavanaugh's confirmation vote – said she had extensive conversation with the White House counsel's office and is "confident that the FBI is doing a thorough investigation and that it will be helpful to us as we make our decisions."

As Republicans and Democrats quarreled over whether the FBI would have enough time and freedom to conduct a thorough investigation before a vote on the nomination, FBI agents have been interviewing multiple witnesses from Kavanaugh's high school and college years.

They include Mark Judge, a high school friend of Kavanaugh's who Ford has said was in the room when a drunken Kavanaugh sexually assaulted her. Judge has denied misconduct allegations. On Monday, his lawyer Barbara "Biz" Van Gelder said Judge had been interviewed "but his interview has not been completed." She declined to elaborate.

Another witness, Patrick "P.J." Smyth, answered "every question" he was asked and told agents he had "no knowledge" of the small gathering that Ford described, according to his attorney, Eric Bruce. Smyth also told the FBI he doesn't have "knowledge of Ford's allegations of improper conduct against Kavanaugh," Bruce said.

Ford has said Smyth, whom she remembered as "P.J.," was downstairs, not anywhere near the event.

The FBI has also interviewed Leland Keyser, who Ford said attended the same party. Keyser's attorney, Howard Walsh, said she was questioned by FBI agents Saturday, but he didn't provide any additional details about the interview.

Walsh has said his client doesn't know Kavanaugh and has no recollection of ever being at a party with him. He has said Keyser believes Ford's account but is "unable to corroborate it because she has no recollection of the incident in question."

Ford shared her allegation at an extraordinary congressional hearing last week that also included Kavanaugh's angry and emotional denial. As of Monday afternoon, she had not been contacted by the FBI to schedule an interview, according to a person close to her.

The FBI interviewed a separate accuser over the weekend – Deborah Ramirez, who has said Kavanaugh exposed himself to her when both were students at Yale University in the 1980s. Ramirez also provided investigators with the names of others who she said could corroborate her account, according to a person familiar with her questioning.

Kavanaugh has denied that allegation.

Since Trump, under pressure from three undecided Republicans, ordered the FBI to reopen Kavanaugh's background check Friday, the White House has scrambled to defend the process from Democratic complaints that certain witnesses were being kept off-limits.

Officials insisted that they were not "micromanaging" the new one-week review of Kavanaugh's background and insisted that Republican senators were dictating the inquiry's scope.

But questions about the investigation's expansiveness mounted as additional witnesses came forward with accounts they wanted to present to the FBI about Kavanaugh's behavior.

In a statement Sunday, a Yale classmate of Kavanaugh's said he is "deeply troubled by what has been a blatant mischaracterization by Brett himself of his drinking at Yale." Charles "Chad" Ludington, who now teaches at North Carolina State University, said he was a friend of Kavanaugh's at Yale and said Kavanaugh was "a frequent drinker, and a heavy drinker."

While saying that youthful drinking should not condemn a person for life, Ludington said he was concerned about Kavanaugh's statements under oath before the Senate Judiciary Committee.

A third woman, Julie Swetnick, accused Kavanaugh and his friend Mark Judge of excessive drinking and inappropriate treatment of women in the early 1980s, among other accusations. Kavanaugh has called her accusations a "joke." Judge "categorically" denies the allegations.

Swetnick's attorney, Michael Avenatti, said Monday that his client was willing to cooperate with the FBI but has not been contacted.

As the fresh review unfolded, the prosecutor brought in by Republicans to question Ford at last week's hearing outlined in a memo why she did not believe criminal charges would be brought against Kavanaugh if it were a criminal case rather than a Supreme Court confirmation process.

Rachel Mitchell argued that that there were inconsistencies in Ford's narrative and said no one has corroborated Ford's account. Ford was not questioned as part of a criminal proceeding but in the confirmation process.

Lotteries

Monday drawings

Michigan
Poker Lotto
KD-JH-AS-10D-7S
Midday Daily 3
4-5-1
Midday Daily 4
2-5-0-9
Daily 3
7-3-1
Daily 4
1-2-1-8
Fantasy 5
03-13-20-26-39
Estimated jackpot: $121,000
Keno
01-03-07-08-11-12-13-17-19-25-29-37-42-47-50-56-60-66-73-76-77-79
Mega Millions
Estimated jackpot: $336 million
Powerball
Estimated jackpot: $229 million

Sunday drawings

Indiana
Cash 5
14-18-25-38-41
Lucky Seven
7-2-9-4-1-7-8
Quick Draw Midday
03-13-14-15-17-19-25-28-31-32-33-36-38-41-46-48-59-60-66-69, BE: 28
Daily Three-Midday
4-2-0, SB: 3
Daily Three-Evening
0-0-7, SB: 2
Daily Four-Midday
0-5-4-2, SB: 3
Daily Four-Evening
0-0-9-8, SB: 2
Quick Draw Evening
01-02-07-11-13-17-19-21-23-28-29-51-57-61-64-66-67-73-78-79, BE: 13
Illinois
LuckyDay Lotto Midday
01-17-22-25-33
Pick Three-Midday
9-3-2, Fireball: 2
Pick Three-Evening
3-8-9, Fireball: 9
Pick Four-Midday
4-9-8-2, Fireball: 9
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Tropical Storm Rosa heads for Baja, U.S. Southwest

MEXICO CITY (AP) — Tropical Storm Rosa soaked northwestern Mexico with heavy rains as it neared the Baja California Peninsula on Monday, reportedly claiming at least one victim, and was projected to extend into a drenching of the U.S. Southwest.

The U.S. National Hurricane Center said the center of Rosa, which was a hurricane until late Sunday, should hit Baja California and Sonora late Monday, bringing 3 to 6 inches (7.5 to 15 centimeters) of rain.

It's then expected to move quickly northwestward as it weakens, bringing 2 to 4 inches (5-10 centimeters) of rain to central and southern Arizona and 1 to 2 inches (2.5-5 centimeters) to the rest of the desert Southwest, Central Rockies and Great Basin. Some isolated areas might see even more precipitation.

Rosa's maximum sustained winds had decreased to 40 mph (65 kph) as of Monday afternoon, and the storm's center was about 50 miles (80 kilometers) west-northwest of Punta Eugenia in Mexico. It was heading north-northeast at 10 mph (17 kph).

The Civil Defense agency for Baja California state said schools would be closed Monday in several communities, including the state capital of Mexicali, across the border from Calexico, California; San Felipe, on the northern Sea of Cortez; and south of Ensenada, on the peninsula's Pacific coast.

Federal authorities declared a state of emergency for Ensenada and Mexicali.

Classes were also suspended in communities in Sonora, where Civil Defense officials advised people to avoid driving on the coastal highway. The agency posted video online of floodwaters racing through an arroyo and covering a stretch of road, carrying trees and logs in the current.

Various Mexican media outlets reported that a woman was swept away by floodwaters and drowned in the city of Caborca, Sonora, on the Sea of Cortez.

The National Weather Service earlier announced flash flood watches through Wednesday for areas including southern Nevada, southeastern California, southwestern and central Utah and the western two-thirds of Arizona.

Forecasts call for heavy rainfall in the watch areas, which include Las Vegas, Phoenix and Salt Lake City, with possible flooding in slot canyons and normally dry washes and a potential for landslides and debris flows from recent wildfire burn scars.

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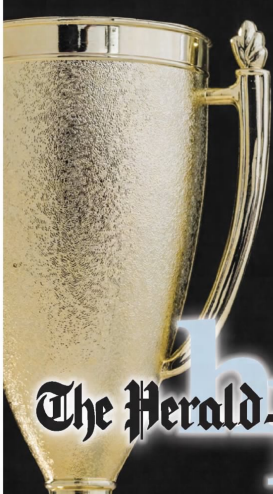

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BENTON HARBOR

City manager, city working on contract extension

Current version contains no end date

By LOUISE WREGE
HP Staff Writer

BENTON HARBOR — Benton Harbor City Manager Darwin Watson's contract is once again in front of city commissioners for consideration.

At Monday's meeting, commissioners approved a new contract in a 5-4 vote that leaves his annual salary at $90,000 and contains no end date, meaning he would be employed on a day-by-day basis.

After the meeting, Watson said he needs to go over the contract with his attorneys to decide whether he will accept it or return with a counter-offer. He said he received the most recent version of the contract from the city on Friday.

Voting for the contract were Mayor Marcus Muhammad and Commissioners Edward Isom, Ron Singleton, T.J. Jones and Juanita Henry. Voting against the contract were Commissioners Duane Seats, Ruthie Haralson, MaryAlice Adams and Sharon Henderson.

Watson's tenure as city manager has been puntuated by ups and downs with city commissioners.

Watson was first given a one-year contract as city manager on Feb. 10, 2014, by then-Emergency Manager Tony Saunders II. At the time, he was the public works director.

In January 2015, an attempt by city commissioners to demote him to his previous position failed by a vote of 4-4.

Then, in February 2015, commissioners extended his contract for one year.

In February 2016, the same year Watson celebrated 20 years of working for the city, commissioners voted to extend his contract for two years.

At the time, Mayor Marcus Muhammad said he was satisfied with Watson's performance over the previous year and that he had done a "superlative" job managing the fiscal responsibility of the city.

But commissioners balked at extending Watson's contract when it came up for renewal in February. This was the first time the commissioners were considering his contract without some kind of state control.

After a special meeting on Feb. 7, a motion to extend Watson's contract failed, meaning he started working for the city on a month-to-month basis.

In August, commissioners went into closed session to discuss Watson's contract. After coming out, they approved an amendment of his contract along with creating an adhoc committee to negotiate with Watson.

In other business on Monday, commissioners approved:

- paying the Berrien County Clerk's Office $2,557 for election fees;
- authorizing Watson to sell a home at 1111 Superior, which was renovated as part of the Neighborhood Stabilization Program;
- sponsoring four commissioners to visit Manchester Bidwell Corp. in Pittsburgh, Pa.;
- paying Robert W. Bogner and Associates $3,600 for work done with the Michigan Tax Tribunal.

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Home demolition project drags out

Township accepts bid for burned out house

By RALPH HEIBUTZKI
HP Correspondent

ST. JOSEPH — What seems simple can get complicated in a hurry, as the township board has learned in preparing to demolish a burned out house at 544 Onondaga Road.

Township board members unanimously awarded a $16,000 demolition bid Monday night to John Withrow Excavating, Inc., of Benton Harbor, the low bidder.

However, although the home burned down in January, the demolition can't go ahead until the insurance company finishes its investigation into the fire, Township Manager Denise Cook said.

"We're waiting for the go ahead from our attorney (Sara Bell) – she has been in contact with a couple of other attorneys, and insurance people (about the situation). So we're waiting for her OK," Cook said. "The board's given its approval. It's going to be demolished, no matter what."

If the insurer determines the fire was accidental, it will reimburse the township for the demolition costs – which won't apply if it rules the fire was criminal, Cook said. She didn't name the insurer.

"I keep telling (building official/code enforcement officer) Troy Gano, 'about 60 more days,'" she said.

Three companies bid for the job, which hit another snag after the initial research got underway, according to Supervisor Roger Seely.

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SIGN MAKEOVER

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Workers cut sheeting to add to a billboard on Monday outside the Gordon Food Service in Benton Township.

BERRIEN SPRINGS

Passing along the knowledge

Trustee shares tips picked up at MML conference

By DEBRA HAIGHT
HP Correspondent

BERRIEN SPRINGS — Berrien Springs Village Trustee Jesse Hibler shared what he learned about planning and zoning at a recent Michigan Municipal League conference with fellow council members Monday night.

Hibler attended classes and training at the conference and made the presentation to the council as the last step in earning his master citizen planner credentials. The classes crammed a six week course into two and a half days.

The council approved a new land use master plan last fall and he said the information he gleaned from the classes has helped him better understand the plan's importance. "When I joined the council, I was thrown into the master plan adoption," he said. "This was helpful."

The new plan adopted last November was the village's first in 10 years. The Michigan Planning Enabling Act requires municipalities to review land use plans every five years. Berrien Springs Village Council members had been working on the plan for the previous year or so.

The new plan contains basic elements such as a community description, demographics, planning policy, future land uses and plan implementation, as well as specifics developed over the last year or two regarding place-based zoning and the M-139 Corridor Plan.

Among other things, Hibler spoke about the need for the village to establish a planning commission that would be solely dedicated to handling zoning and planning requests. Village President Milt Richter said after the meeting that he's working to get a planning commission established.

Hibler also pointed to other things he learned, including how to encourage public participation, how to properly enforce ordinances and the importance of planning in economic

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BARODA

Village gets high marks from auditor

By WILLIAM F. AST III
HP Correspondent

BARODA — The Village of Baroda is in an "excellent position" financially, the Baroda Village Council heard on Monday.

Aaron Stevens, of the Stevens, Kirinovic & Tucker accounting firm, said the village could operate with its available funds for seven and a half months. As the standard recommendation for municipalities is having enough for two months of operation, the village is in good shape, he said while presenting an audit of fiscal 2017-18.

"You don't have any liquidity problems," Stevens said. "You can pay your bills."

The village ended the year with general fund revenues of $357,932, expenditures of $386,197, and a fund balance of $272,570, the audit showed.

The audit was a "clean opinion" of the fiscal year's books, "the highest level of assurance we can give," Stevens said. The 2017-18 year ended March 31.

Also Monday, the council voted to donate $250 to Baroda Township's "Trail and Treats" event at the township park on Hess Lake on Saturday, Oct. 27.

Township Treasurer Brenda Troxell told the council that a "major sponsor" had recently and unexpectedly pulled out of the event. "Now I'm in a crunch," she said.

The $250 was going to pay for treats for the children, according to Troxell.

"I think it's a good idea," said Trustee Milt Sluder, who moved to make up the $250.

Troxell said last year's event attracted 132 children and 85 adults, despite miserable weather. The Lions Club provided eye screening for 45 children, she added.

The "non-scary" event will be held from 4-6 p.m., Troxell said.

The event doesn't replace Halloween trick-or-treating. The council voted to set Halloween hours for 5:30-7 p.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 31.

In other matters, the council approved paying Plante & Moran $125 an hour to help out with what Clerk Tina Boehm called some budgeting "hiccups."

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Landscaping service truck goes up in flames

By HP STAFF

SOUTH HAVEN — Two employees of Lawn Boys landscaping service escaped injury Monday morning after the truck they were driving in caught fire. The incident occurred at 11 a.m. on Indiana Avenue near Lyons Street in the city of South Haven.

Kenneth Antisdel said he and his work partner had just finished a job and were on their way to another one when the horn in the vehicle suddenly went off. Antisdel then smelled and saw smoke coming up from beneath the front of the truck. He said he had only gone a block when the problem occurred. Worried, he stopped the vehicle and he and his partner quickly got out to examine the problem.

Photo provided / South Haven Area Emergency Services

Firefighters from South Haven Area Emergency Services found this landscaping truck on fire as they arrived on the scene Monday. The two Lawn Boys landscaping service employees were able to safely exit the truck before calling 911.

"When I got out to inspect it, flames shot out from under the hood."

Antisdel then called 911. "It's a good a thing we got out when we did," Antisdel said.

Neither he nor the other worker suffered injuries. Firefighters from South Haven Area Emergency Services and South Haven Police Department immediately responded to the blaze and quickly put out the fire, which was confined to the engine compartment and cab.

Because of the extent of the fire damage to the engine compartment, it is not known exactly what caused the fire to start, firefighters said.

Dowagiac man killed in motorcycle crash

Victim, 32, fled after attempted traffic stop

By HP STAFF

DOWAGIAC — A 32-year-old man from Dowagiac was killed Monday afternoon in a motorcycle accident while fleeing a planned traffic stop, according the Cass County Sheriff's Office.

Killed in the crash was Ryan Glen Grady, according to a news release from the sheriff's department.

A Dowagiac city police officer had activated their overhead lights near North Paul Street and Spruce Street, with the intention of pulling Grady over. At that point Grady sped up and fled, according to the release.

"The overhead lights were deactivated at this time. Dowagiac Police did not give chase or pursue the motorcycle," the release stated.

Cass County dispatch officials soon received a report of the crash off M-51, near Pokagon Street. "Witnesses reported that the motorcycle was traveling at a high rate of speed and increased acceleration around

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Estimated tax haul from marijuana sales would grow to $134M per year

By KATHLEEN GRAY
Detroit Free Press

By the time Michigan's recreational marijuana market is fully fleshed out, $134.5 million in tax revenues will be flowing into the state's coffers annually.

But there's a big caveat: Michigan voters will first have to pass a ballot proposal on Nov. 6 to legalize marijuana for adult recreational use.

The figures for state tax revenues – from the 6-percent sales tax and a 10-percent excise tax – come from VS Strategies, a Colorado-based cannabis consulting firm hired by the Coalition to Regulate Marijuana Like Alcohol, which is spearheading the campaign to legalize pot in Michigan.

"We're estimating $520 million in taxes from 2020-24," said Andrew Livingston, a policy analyst with VS Strategies. "By 2023, Michigan will reach maturity with sales of just under $1.5 billion (for both medical and recreational marijuana)."

The revenues from recreational use will grow from $53.7 million in the first year to $134 million by the time the market matures, he said.

When you add in the 6 percent sales tax and 3 percent excise tax on medical marijuana sales, the tax revenues jump another $40 million, according to the VS estimates.

The numbers are based on estimates of nearly 1 million Michiganders who have said that they've used marijuana in the past month and who could be expected to buy marijuana on a regular basis. Another 3.5 million people in Michigan have said they have used marijuana in their lifetime. The total number of marijuana users includes 300,000 people who are registered as medical marijuana users, Livingston said.

Michigan's tax rate is far lower than many of the other nine states that have legalized pot for recreational use. Some of the other state tax rates, according to the Washington DC-based-Tax Foundation, are:

■ **California:** Growers, unlike in Michigan, pay a tax of $9.25 per ounce for marijuana flower while consumers pay a 15-percent excise tax.

■ **Colorado:** A 15 percent excise tax paid by the grower and a 15-percent sales tax for consumers. Individual cities can also impose additional city taxes on the sale of marijuana.

■ **Nevada:** A 15-percent excise tax paid by the grower and a 10-percent sales tax paid by consumers.

■ **Oregon:** A 17-percent sales tax.

■ **Washington:** A 37-percent sales tax.

Michigan's proposed rate is lower than other states in order to be more competitive and to attract more people to the state's budding marijuana market, coalition spokesman Josh Hovey said.

The first $20 million in tax revenues for each of the first two years would go to research into the effects of marijuana use on different health ailments, including PTSD in veterans. Of the remainder, 35 percent would go toward roads, 35 percent to schools and 30 percent to the counties and communities that allowed marijuana businesses in their towns.

But the projected tax revenues, even when the market is fully established, fall well below the taxes generated in Colorado, the first state to legalize marijuana for recreational use, which collected $247.3 million in taxes in 2017.

Livingston said the Western states have higher numbers of users and he doesn't expect Michigan to exceed those numbers. According to the annual National Survey on Drug Use and Health done for the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services in 2016, about 14.4 percent of Colorado's population, or 727,000 people, used marijuana in the past month while 8.9 percent of Michigan's population, or 886,000 people, used marijuana in the past month.

"Mountain states have always led the rates of past-month consumption," he said.

Michiganders shouldn't just look at the tax revenues coming in from marijuana legalization, said Scott Greenlee, director of Healthy and Productive Michigan, a group opposing the ballot proposal.

"What impact would it have in Michigan with a $57-billion budget? It's just not that significant," he said. "And then we have to deal with the unintended consequences of fighting increased addiction. I wonder if there would be anything left for Michigan other than a bad policy that will affect the state for decades to come."

He said the 35 percent of tax revenues that would go toward improving Michigan's roads would be a drop in the bucket for the state's 120,000 miles of roads.

"According to MDOT, the cost to improve roads is about $1 million per lane," Greenlee said. "In their best case scenario, 35 miles of one lane of roads would be improved thanks to this new tax."

Hovey said the coalition never promised that the marijuana tax revenues would be a cure-all for Michigan's budget woes.

"This will help fund the state's most important needs. And we'll be saving millions in wasted costs of continuing to enforce the prohibition of marijuana laws," he said. "And I think the majority of the state's residents would agree that our roads need more revenue."

There are 31 states, including Michigan, and the District of Columbia where medical marijuana is legal. In nine of those states and the district, adult recreational use of weed is also legal. And in addition to Michigan and North Dakota, where voters will consider legalization questions in November, the New Jersey Legislature is expected to act on legalization this year and Missouri and Utah voters will decide a medical marijuana ballot question.

Charges in death of man 'abandoned' at jail

By ED WHITE
Associated Press

David Guralnick / Detroit News via AP
Wayne County Prosector Kym Worthy announces charges Monday in Detroit against a police officer and two paramedics who have been charged with involuntary manslaughter.

DETROIT — A police officer and two paramedics failed to help a man who was convulsing for more than an hour and eventually died from cocaine toxicity at a Detroit-area jail, a prosecutor said Monday as she filed involuntary manslaughter charges against the trio.

William Marshall was in custody for drug possession when he died in the Westland police lock-up in December. Wayne County prosecutor Kym Worthy said a state police investigation showed an "inexcusable and criminal disregard for human life from those who have a duty to serve him, protect him and render aid."

She said video of the incident was a "critical part of the evidence."

Involuntary manslaughter charges were filed against police Sgt. Ronald Buckley and paramedics Matt Dicosola and Leah Maynard. The three didn't immediately appear in court Monday, and it was unclear whether they had lawyers who could respond to the allegations.

The paramedics told Buckley they could take Marshall to a hospital but the sergeant waved them off, Worthy said. Nonetheless, she added, that doesn't clear them of wrongdoing.

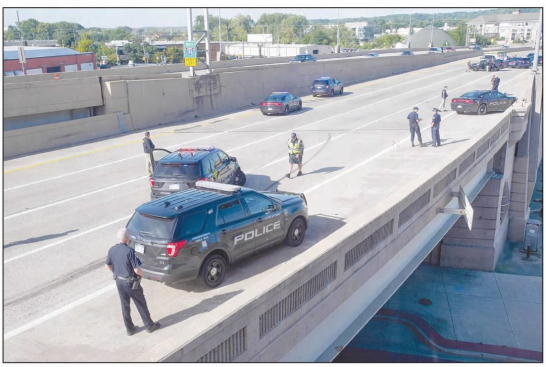
"The paramedics still have a duty to render aid and assistance," the prosecutor said. "They abandoned him, according to the facts of our investigation. ... They are criminally responsible."

Westland Police Chief Jeff Jedrusik said Buckley has been suspended from the department, and Dicosola and Maynard no longer work for Westland.

"I again want to offer my sincere apology to the William Marshall family for their loss," Jedrusik said in a written statement. "The department has provided additional training to its employees and will continue to do so to ensure that something like this never happens again."

The city in May agreed to a $3.75 million settlement with Marshall's family, with much of the money coming from insurance coverage.

Separately, Worthy said no charges would be filed in the fentanyl-related death of a man at an Ecorse police lock-up in June 2017. She said that although Ecorse officers should have noticed that Frank Porter wasn't moving in his cell, the delay did not contribute to his death.



Wyoming police, Grand Rapids police, and Michigan State Police troopers stand at the scene of a police involved shooting in Grand Rapids on Thursday.
Neil Blake / The Grand Rapids Press via AP

Slaying suspect hurt in Grand Rapids chase is jailed after hospital stay

GRAND RAPIDS (AP) — Authorities say a 33-year-old homicide suspect who was injured while exchanging gunfire with officers on a freeway in western Michigan is out of the hospital and behind bars.

Adam Nolin was charged while hospitalized Friday with assault with intent to murder, fleeing and eluding and weapons charges in connection with the police chase.

Court records Monday don't list a lawyer for him yet.

Police say 27-year-old Tia Randall was fatally shot Thursday at a mobile home park in the Grand Rapids-area community of Wyoming. Officers later spotted a pickup Nolin was driving and chased it into Grand Rapids, where it crashed on U.S. Highway 131.

They say Nolin was struck by a police cruiser before being taken into custody. No officers were hurt. He hasn't been charged in the slaying.

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"When they first bid on it, they didn't know there was a pool buried in the backyard. There was a lot of factors that changed in the original bids," he said.

That factor accounted for the high bid of $36,000 that the township received, he noted.

One other factor affected the bidding, as well, Cook said.

"There's so little left of it, which actually makes it harder to demo. They charge more for that because there's so little left. I guess I makes it easier (for the contractor), if there's something to push over," she said.

The discussion followed a question from state Rep. Kim LaSata, who's running for state Senate.

LaSata said she's currently working on a bill that would put the cost of tearing down blighted homes on the owner, rather than the municipality that's trying to tear it down.

"I was just curious about this house, who was paying for it," she said.

From the township's viewpoint, the various factors have made the Onondaga Road demolition a more difficult experience than usual, Seely said.

"What should be so simple is complicated. I'm sure you run into these things all the time," he told LaSata.

Cook said she sympathizes with the neighbors who have had to watch the demolition take so long, but hopes it can be wrapped up once all the remaining procedural hurdles are finally resolved.

"It's an eyesore, and it's a safety issue, so I don't blame the neighbors," she said.

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development. He suggested the village look into applying for regional prosperity initiative funding.

He noted that the new economy emphasizes the importance of attracting educated people and offering cultural amenities more than attracting businesses and industries. "Instead of people following jobs, the new economy puts people first and then the creation of jobs," he said.

In action at Monday's meeting, council members again voted to opt out of the 2011 state law that gives public employers the choice of choosing to cap or split insurance costs with employees, or opt out. The village has opted out of the law every year and pays for all of employees' health insurance costs.

Board members also changed how the village's Christmas Festival account is handled. The village's auditors have asked that the account be handled the same as other village accounts, with the village clerk and president signing checks and the council approving expenditures. Previously, the clerk and a committee member signed checks.

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A representative of the firm will come in for up to eight times a month through the remainder of the year.

The firm representative "is the only one who can maneuver her way through all this stuff," Boehm continued. By year's end, those services won't be needed any more, she said.

Council President Bob Getz after the meeting said the village office "got behind" on budgeting matters.

The council also agreed to change the annual food drive. Instead of handing out collected food to needy families, the village will be a collection point and will give the food to local churches with food banks.

Finding needy families in the village "has become hard, which is a good thing," Boehm said. But the village ended up taking food to families outside the village, and the council members agreed the distribution should be kept local.

CRASH

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the curve," according to the release. Grady, wearing a helmet, lost control and crashed into several trees. He was pronounced dead at the scene.

Cass County Sheriff's Dept. personnel were called in to investigate shortly before 3 p.m. The crash remains under investigation.

Assisting agencies include the Dowagiac Police Department, Pokagon Tribal Police, Michigan State Police, Dowagiac Fire Department and Pride Care Ambulance.

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U.S. nationalism at odds with the world

By EDITH M. LEDERER
Associated Press

UNITED NATIONS — U.S. President Donald Trump dominated this year's gathering of global leaders that ended Monday, but his rejection of "the ideology of globalism" left America almost single-handedly holding a nationalist banner against urgent calls from an overwhelming number countries for the world to work together.

U.N. Secretary General Antonio Guterres opened the week-long meeting last Tuesday declaring that global cooperation is the world's best hope and warning that "multilateralism is under fire precisely when we need it most." And General Assembly President Maria Espinosa Garces wrapped up the meeting, during which all 193 U.N. member nations spoke, saying that one of its major achievements was strong global backing for the U.N. and multilateralism.

The high turnout of leaders – 121 presidents, prime ministers and monarchs – "is because the world cares about the United Nations and the world cares about multilateralism, and the need to strengthen the multilateral agenda," Espinosa Garces said in a news conference. And the General Assembly is the body "for international coexistence."

But Trump's speech, not long after Guterres', poured scorn on multilateralism and touted his "America First" policy, saying his administration has achieved more "than almost any administration in the history of our country," which sparked chuckles and outright laughter from some leaders.

"We will never surrender America's sovereignty to an unelected, unaccountable, global bureaucracy," the U.S. president said. "America is governed by Americans. We reject the ideology of globalism, and we embrace the doctrine of patriotism."

One of the very few countries to speak out for nationalism was Hungary, which has erected razor wire fences to keep people out. Foreign Minister Peter Szijjarto called migration the greatest challenge in history, saying "migratory waves" are creating huge security risks, destabilizing countries, and bringing terrorism to a region where it did not exist before.

"The international community must respect sovereignty of the countries," he said.

But speaker after speaker over the week stressed the importance of global cooperation, starting with French President Emmanuel Macron, a progressive, multilateralist, who told the General Assembly: "Nationalism always leads to defeat."

Canada's U.N. Ambassador Marc-Andre Blanchard told Monday's final session that "the magnitude of the contemporary challenges the world is confronting" – including climate change, terrorism, economic inequality, irregular migration and protracted crises – "require the world to work together."

"The U.N. is the only place where we all come together to tackle these challenges," he said, but the U.N. and other institutions established after World War II must work together to make them "more efficient, fairer and more inclusive."

Trump faced pushback on other U.S. policies he trumpeted, including his historic meeting in June with North Korean leader Kim Jong Un and his "push for peace." At the same time, he insisted that tough sanctions would remain until the Korean peninsula is denuclearized.

Chinese Foreign Minister Wang Yi and Russian Foreign Minister Sergey Lavrov countered that the U.S. should consider matching Kim's positive steps – including halting nuclear and missile tests and actions to dismantle related facilities – with an easing of sanctions.

Trump also faced pushback on Iran, which he called a "brutal regime" and a "corrupt dictatorship" whose leaders "sow chaos, death and destruction." He denounced the "horrible" 2015 nuclear deal with Iran which the Obama administration signed along with Russia, China, Britain, France and Germany, saying that's why the U.S. withdrew and reimposed sanctions on Tehran.

But in a rebuke to Trump, foreign ministers from the five countries that still support the deal agreed at one of some 400 meetings on the sidelines of the General Assembly to establish a financial facility in the European Union to facilitate payments for Iranian imports and exports including oil – a key move sought by Tehran to counter U.S. sanctions.

Another major issue at the global gathering was climate change – an issue not mentioned in Trump's speech. It was raised not only by small islands that see an existential threat, but also by large countries with vulnerable coasts facing more deadly hurricanes and cyclones.

Dominica's Foreign Minister Francine Baron, whose Caribbean island nation was decimated by Hurricane Maria's 180 mile-per-hour winds last September, said her prime minister's call to all countries days later at the U.N. "to come together to save our planet" hasn't been heeded.

"Among and around us are many who still deny the reality of climate change," she said, adding that there is still no plan to implement the 2015 Paris agreement to combat global warming, and "we have not mobilized the resources to capitalize the $100 billion per year, which was agreed upon, to assist the most vulnerable."

The General Assembly meeting also put a spotlight on global conflicts and hotspots, large and small, from the seven-year-old conflict in Syria and the three-year-old war in Yemen that has sparked the world's worst humanitarian crisis to the Israeli-Palestinian conflict, the Indian-Pakistani dispute over Kashmir and the Armenia-Azerbaijan clash over Nagorno-Karabakh.

Venezuela's President Nicolas Maduro accused the U.S. of attacking his country through sanctions and other means in the meeting's longest speech – 48 minutes. The shortest was Lithuania's President Dalia Grybauskaite at 5 minutes, according to Assembly president Espinosa Garces.

Syria's Foreign Minister Walid al-Moallem declared that a victory over "terrorism" is almost at hand and demanded that "occupation" forces from the U.S., France and Turkey leave the country immediately.

Jerry Brown shows governing philosophy in final bill action

SACRAMENTO, Calif. (AP) — Preparing to leave office after four decades, California Gov. Jerry Brown exercised his final signatures and vetoes this weekend to put the closing stamp on a governing philosophy he has espoused during two separate eight-year stints.

The actions, and the quirky statements that accompanied them, revealed the "paddle left, paddle right" governing approach of California's longest-serving governor and three-time presidential candidate. Brown pushed California to new frontiers of liberal policies and frustrated his Democratic allies by using his veto pen to pump the brakes.

"16 years – and nearly 20,000 bills – later, the desk is clear. #Eureka," the 80-year-old wrote on Twitter alongside a video showing photos of him signing bills dating back to 1975. Eureka, an exclamation meaning "I found it," is California's official motto.

Brown on Sunday further secured California's role as a progressive beacon by signing a tough law restoring net neutrality protections, inviting an immediate lawsuit from the Trump administration, and requiring companies to put women on their boards of directors.

But he decided university health centers shouldn't be forced to sell abortion medications nor should San Francisco be allowed to open what could be the nation's first supervised drug injection site.

In typical fashion, his actions made fellow Democrats both cheer and sigh.

"He will only give so much, and then he's done," said Democratic Assemblywoman Lorena Gonzalez Fletcher, who saw several of her bills inspired by the #MeToo movement get vetoed.

Altogether in 2018, Brown signed 1,016 bills and vetoed 201, according to his office. The veto rate of 16.5 percent was slightly higher than prior years.

The terse statements announcing his vetoes or explaining his decision to sign a bill have become legendary in Sacramento. They explain his reasoning, often with acerbic wit, Latin phrases or biblical references tossed in.

Some include themes he returns to often: Not every human failing needs to be fixed with a law. Expensive programs should be handled in budget negotiations. Some decisions are best made at the local level.

Others are unique.

On a law mandating that corporate boards include women, he noted that "many are not getting the message" and sent a copy to the U.S. Senate Judiciary Committee. His missive came days after the committee examined accusations that Supreme Court nominee Brett Kavanaugh had sexually assaulted a high school classmate. Kavanagh denies the allegation.

On a bill allowing certain big cities to allow 4 a.m. closing times, he wrote: "I believe we have enough mischief between midnight and 2 without adding two more hours of mayhem."

The messages are "snippets of his intellect" that reflect Brown's preference for brevity, go beyond political messaging and put his action in the context of history, culture and morality, said Sen. Steve Glazer, a Democrat from the East Bay, who was Brown's political adviser and 2010 campaign manager.

"It's a deeper dive that's not constrained by what is a Democrat or Republican philosophical view of the matter at hand," Glazer said. "And he definitely enjoys putting that personal touch on the matter."

Understanding the removal of mines from Korean Demilitarized Zone

By HYUNG-JIN KIM
Associated Press

SEOUL, South Korea — Seoul says the rival Koreas began removing mines and other explosives at two sites inside their heavily armed border on Monday as part of their recent tension-reduction steps. They will likely end up pulling out a very small portion of an estimated 2 million mines littered inside and near the 248-kilometer (155-mile) -long, 4-kilometer (2.5-mile) -wide Demilitarized Zone. But it would be the two countries' first joint demining work in more than a decade and comes amid international diplomacy aimed at ridding North Korea of its nuclear weapons.

Lee Jin-man / AP

North Korean soldiers talk to each other earlier this year as a South Korean soldier, right, stands at the border village of Panmunjom in the Demilitarized Zone, South Korea.

The mine removal starting Monday took place at the Koreas' Joint Security Area in their shared border village of Panmunjom and another front-line area where the two countries plan their first joint searches for the remains of soldiers killed during the 1950-53 Korean War.

Panmunjom, where an armistice was signed in 1953 to end the war, is the most famous DMZ site. Rival soldiers face each other only feet away from each other, and it has been the scene of bloodshed and violence, including the 1976 ax-killing of two American troops. But it's also a venue for talks such as two of the three inter-Korean summit meetings so far this year, and its mystique makes it a popular tourist destination.

Under deals signed by their defense chiefs on the sidelines of a September summit between North Korean leader Kim Jong Un and South Korean President Moon Jae-in, the demining of the Joint Security Area is part of a broader step to "disarm" the zone and turn it to a "place for peace and unity."

The other area being demined is around the so-called "Arrow Head Hill," where some of the war's heaviest fighting took place over a strategically important hilltop position.

Seoul's Defense Ministry said the remains of about 300 South Korean, French and U.S. soldiers are believed to be in the area. The remains of a large number of Chinese and North Korean soldiers are also likely there.

During the war, an outnumbered French battalion belonging to the American-led U.N. Command repelled a series of Chinese attacks in the area in October 1952, months before a South Korean army division also turned back similar Chinese assaults.

Experts believe the South Korean and U.S. militaries have planted about 1 million to 1.2 million mines south of the DMZ while North Korea has put about 800,000-1 million mines on its side. It's not known how many mines are at Panmunjom and Arrow Head Hill, but military commentator Lee Illwoo said the Koreas would be able to clear tens of thousands at most.

Experts believe both Koreas poorly managed their mines and don't know exactly how many they planted and in what specific places. It's not unusual for wooden North Korean mine boxes to wash down a swollen river in summer, causing deadly incidents in South Korea. A 2015 DMZ mine explosion blamed on North Korea that maimed two South Korean soldiers pushed the rivals to the brink of an armed conflict. Many South Korean mines are also believed to have been dislodged due to flooding or landslides.

At Panmunjom, the Koreas are to spend 20 days clearing mines before withdrawing troops, weapons and guard posts in the area over the next five days. They eventually plan to have 35 unarmed personnel from each side guard the village and let tourists freely cross ankle-high concrete slabs that mark the border there.

In the case of Arrow Head Hill, they aim to remove the mines by the end of November. After building a cross-border road and forming a joint excavation team, the Koreas are to launch a seven-month effort to locate remains in April next year.

Monday's mine clearing is the first of its kind since the Koreas worked together to remove mines and explosives at a few border areas to accommodate now-stalled economic and transportation projects during a previous era of rapprochement in the 2000s. Other deals reached by the defense chiefs include withdrawing front-line guard posts and establishing buffer zones along the land, sea and aerial boundaries where live-fire drills and military flights would be banned.

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Graham is right: Shame on the Democrats

Kathleen Parker

Republican Sen. Jeff Flake may have become a momentary hero for Democrats hoping to block Supreme Court nominee Brett Kavanaugh, but Sen. Lindsey Graham has cinched the role as Jiminy Cricket of the U.S. Senate.

Never one to shy away from cameras or fall short on quotable one-liners, Graham came out swinging during Senate Judiciary Committee hearings Thursday and Friday. Fearing no consequence, apparently, he railed against his Democratic colleagues with righteous outrage and said what was obviously true.

Somebody had to do it.

Flake, who seems committed to living up to his name, bucked his fellow Republicans at the last minute Friday. After voting to advance Kavanaugh to the full Senate, Flake requested a one-week delay to give the FBI time to conduct its own investigation of allegations that Kavanaugh sexually assaulted Christine Blasey Ford when the two were at a party more than 30 years ago. Earlier in the day, Flake had said he would vote for Kavanaugh, but that was before he was confronted (and, apparently, intimidated) by women on an elevator who said they were assault victims and that he was "telling all women that they don't matter."

But back to Graham, who is far more entertaining even – or especially – when he's mad. The usually congenial senator showed up at Thursday's hearing with Moral Outrage on his arm and Truth as his chaperone.

Love him or not – and who doesn't love Jiminy Cricket? – Graham said in a very loud non-whisper what every sensible, fair-minded person was surely thinking: The hearings that ultimately brought both Kavanaugh and Ford to tears were driven by a partisan quest for power without regard for the human collateral damage.

Railing at the Democratic side of the hearing room, Graham nearly shouted, "Boy, y'all want power. God I hope you never get it."

The only thing worse than Republicans with absolute power is Democrats with absolute power, right? It is true, however, that the pitiable spectacle of first Ford and then Kavanaugh showed that Senate Democrats were willing to martyr their own best witness against Kavanaugh to delay confirmation and, assuming they win the Senate in the midterm elections, block Donald Trump from appointing any more conservatives to the high court.

Graham's passionate commentary was, thus, a rallying cry to Republican voters, whose intensity has been flickering next to highly motivated Democrats, especially women. By Friday, he was calmer and more relaxed, perhaps because he believed Flake was onboard. He spelled out the reasons Ford's story wasn't compelling enough to keep Kavanaugh off the bench – no supporting evidence or testimony, not even a time or place.

Yes, her testimony was heartbreaking and seemed sincere. She plainly has suffered. Kavanaugh, too, has suffered immensely. Nearly losing control throughout his emotional statement, he was as credible as his accuser. Riveted by the proceedings, I felt at times I should look away rather than play voyeur to the humiliation of two fine people – stripped of dignity and emotionally exposed before the world.

While many were horrified by Graham's anger, I found it as cleansing and refreshing as a dip in the River Jordan. His points, meanwhile, were compelling.

Point 1: Dianne Feinstein, D-Calif., sat on Ford's July letter alleging the sexual assault until the eve of a scheduled committee vote on Kavanaugh. If she hadn't, there would have been ample time to investigate the claim and conduct interviews, which Grassley did as soon as he knew of the letter in late September.

Point 2: If not for a leak that was likely from the Democratic side, Ford's anonymity, which she deeply wanted, could have been preserved. But this wouldn't have served the Democrats' seeming strategy of delay or their apparent hope for an emotion-packed display.

Kavanaugh's suffering was epic. By all accounts, he has lived his adult life as a model citizen, an exemplary husband and father, a beloved teacher and coach and an admired judge. Yet, our esteemed senators found it necessary to parse inscriptions in his high school year book. Read yours lately?

With apologies for any nicknames that may ensue, Graham is a necessary voice, the human truth-o-meter and translator who shouts the truth from the rooftops, then ambles amiably over to the cameras, smiles and jokes with the very people he savaged, and tries to find his ol' buddy Flake, who, Graham said, "wrastled" with how to vote, and maybe give him a little hug on his way back to obscurity.

Long may Sen. Cricket's flag wave.

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What the Kavanaugh hearing revealed

E.J. Dionne

In a process already saturated with cynicism and soured by bad faith, it would be shameful but unsurprising if an FBI investigation aimed at shedding light on Christine Blasey Ford's accusations against Supreme Court nominee Brett Kavanaugh became the object of political manipulation.

The probe is happening because Republican Sens. Jeff Flake of Arizona and Lisa Murkowski of Alaska grasped how hypocritical it would be for their party to claim to take Ford's heartfelt and credible testimony seriously and then barrel to a confirmation anyway.

But the FBI may be blocked from doing its job properly. Will it be able to provide a basis for judging the relative trustworthiness of the only two witnesses who appeared before the Senate Judiciary Committee last week?

An investigation sharply constrained by White House Counsel Don McGahn – who is overseeing the FBI's work and just happened to be Kavanaugh's leading promoter – would turn a brief moment of limited bi-partisanship into a new occasion for rage and recrimination.

The good news is that the investigation offers time for one important reality to sink in: It is simply not true, as was so often claimed, that both witnesses were equally "believable."

Ford answered every question she was asked and without pretense. Her candor about what she could not recall added immensely to her credibility.

By contrast, as Sen. Cory Booker, D-N.J., noted on Friday, Kavanaugh's "testimony and claims regarding his drinking habits and behavior in high school and college [and] beyond have been contradicted by so many people. His statements have just proven to be not true."

Every undecided senator should read Philip Bump's extensive fact check in The Washington Post flagging answers Kavanaugh gave that "stretched or misrepresented the truth." Then the senators should turn to The New York Times' equally comprehensive analysis describing responses Kavanaugh gave that were "misleading, disputed or off point."

And they can examine a very helpful graph created by Alvin Chang at Vox. It uses bright colors to chart the comparative responsiveness of the two witnesses. Where they answered directly, the graph showed blue; where they dodged a question or refused to answer, it showed magenta. Ford's chart is a sea of blue; Kavanaugh's is replete with evasive magenta.

Thus, expecting the FBI to look into the veracity of what Kavanaugh said about his level of drinking does not reflect a desire to demonize people who like beer as much as Kavanaugh says he does. Rather, his level of drinking in those days has a direct relationship to the charges in question – and also on his truthfulness.

The same concerns arise in judging his hard-to-believe attempt to sanitize a high-school yearbook entry that he acknowledged was unfortunate. It bears on his attitude toward women at the time, and, again, his honesty.

There were also Kavanaugh's repeated claims, as he put it at one point, that "all four witnesses who are alleged to be at the event said it didn't happen." No, they did not say that. They said, in various ways, that they didn't remember it. At the least, the FBI should be able to test their memories.

And if the undecided senators are still unable to make up their minds at the end of whatever sort of probe the FBI is allowed to conduct, they should think hard about this passage in Kavanaugh's prepared remarks:

"This whole two-week effort has been a calculated and orchestrated political hit, fueled with apparent pent-up anger about President Trump and the 2016 election, fear that has been unfairly stoked about my judicial record, revenge on behalf of the Clintons, and millions of dollars in money from outside left-wing opposition groups."

No matter how much you want to understand Kavanaugh's anger, this screed disqualifies him from the Supreme Court. Can any litigant on an issue with any bearing on election outcomes – voting rights, the financing of campaigns, gerrymandering – possibly think Kavanaugh can be fair-minded? Can any "left-wing" group, especially one bringing suit against Trump, expect a fair hearing?

Last week's hearing did not settle the core issue that the FBI is being asked to examine further. But we learned a great deal about the character of two people.

Admiration for Ford's courage her meticulousness and her grace was nearly universal. Kavanaugh's anger while beating back rather than answering key questions won praise from the White House and most Republicans. For just about everyone else, it was anything but reassuring behavior from a man who could serve on the Supreme Court for decades.

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Letters

Based on attack ad, Upton must be scared this time

Editor,

It appears that Fred Upton is actually afraid of Matt Longjohn. He is running an attack ad against him. Think of that. The guy who has breezed through election after election is so afraid he has to invoke Nancy Pelosi and "they," the ones who control things.

Fred, none of the undecideds are going to be impressed by boogeymen. Run on your record. We don't need a fear-driven race in Southwest Michigan.

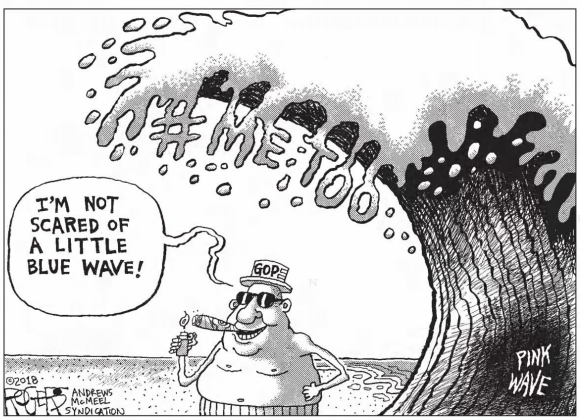
George Lawton
Three Oaks

Vote for an actual doctor on Nov. 6

Editor,

After viewing Fred Upton's television ad for the 21st Century Cures Act, one might be confused and assume Upton is the medical doctor running for the 6th congressional district seat. Unfortunately, Upton is only a "spin" doctor. He fails to tell viewers his bill died in the Senate after passing the House.

House Rep. Suzanne Bonamici, a Democrat from Oregon, introduced a bill by the same name that was subsequently approved and signed by Barack Obama. In retrospect, Upton probably liked the bill that passed because it was the brainchild of well-heeled pharmaceutical companies. With 1,400 registered lobbyists working on the bill, it removed "full clinical trials" for FDA approval and allocated $6.3 billion in funding. Even the former head of Pfizer research and development said that was poor practice and science.



While Fred Upton comes across as everyone's good neighbor, he has not shown that in practice. Frankly, I want all of my neighbors to have access to health insurance and not be penalized for pre-existing health conditions. Fred Upton cast the deciding vote in the House to eliminate medical care for all under the Affordable Care Act. He also put his party first – and not his neighbors – in opposing equal pay for women.

In November voters can elect a bona fide medical doctor with experience in community health and medicine. That person is Matt Longjohn. Longjohn is endorsed by the Michigan Nurses Association, labor groups, End Citizen United, and many others. Perhaps Dr. Longjohn says it best when he says, "A high quality life depends on having access to affordable health care, a safe healthy environment, education opportunities, and the resources to make ends meet."

Brent Parsons
St. Joseph

Trump's Iran oil sanctions will lead to higher gas prices

By JULIAN LEE
Bloomberg News

President Donald Trump must be overjoyed at the impact his sanctions on Iran are having more than a month before they even go into effect. They are crippling exports from the Islamic Republic, at minimal cost to the U.S. Unfortunately, they have yet to succeed in changing the regime's policies, and are pushing prices back up to levels not seen in more than four years.

Iran's exports have fallen by 870,000 barrels a day since April, the month before the U.S. pulled out of the Iran nuclear deal. September's sales look likely to be less than two million barrels a day for a second month running, based on preliminary tanker tracking data. The decline is much steeper than analysts had expected – and exports are likely to fall even further in the five weeks before the curbs take effect.

Shipments to South Korea and France stopped in June, and flows to Japan have also halted. Purchases by Indian refiners may also cease completely, with no orders placed for November. Iran endured its longest gap in shipments to China in at least three years and has begun to store crude on tankers anchored close to its export terminals as buyers retreat.

In a second win for Trump, U.S. companies haven't had to revise their supply chains. It's America's frenemies who are bearing the burden: those troublesome allies in Europe and Asia are having to scramble to fill the holes left by dwindling Iranian supplies. Even China appears to have agreed not to lap up cheap Iranian crude – although it remains unclear whether that will change as the Sino-U.S. relationship sours further.

Not only are the alternatives more costly than heavily discounted Iranian barrels, they also undermine the economics of refineries and petrochemical plants designed to process Iranian oil. Nowhere is this more apparent than in South Korea, where Iran's high-sulfur condensate, a light form of crude extracted from gas fields, was an important feedstock for the country's petrochemical industry. South Korea bought nearly 60 percent of Iran's total condensate exports in the 12 months through April. Since then it has had to rely on more distant sources such as Norway and the U.S.

And that gives Trump his third win. The sanctions are giving a boost to U.S. oil exports as Asian processors are being forced to look further afield for alternatives to Iranian supplies. U.S. crude oil exports exceeded 2.5 million barrels a day in the week to Sept. 21 for only the fourth time since President Barack Obama lifted limits on American exports in December 2015.

So, if you're sitting behind the Resolute desk in the Oval Office, what's not to like?

For a start, the sanctions have so far failed to deliver any change in Iranian policy – their main purpose. The Middle East is no safer. The proxy wars in which Iran is backing one side, while U.S.-sponsored Arab countries support the other, show no sign of ending. The Islamic Republic's leaders aren't yet buckling under U.S. pressure, and the popular uprising longed-for by National Security Advisor John Bolton still seems a pipe dream.

In the meantime, the loss of nearly a million barrels a day and the prospect of more to follow, have done more than anything else to revive the possibility of $100 oil. Little wonder Trump has tweeted his frustration at an increasingly powerless OPEC. Most members of that group are already producing as much as they can.

Even if they could squeeze out more barrels, doing so would only raise worries about diminishing the cushion of spare capacity to offset any future disruption to supply.

Oil at $100 a barrel would be bad news for drivers everywhere – including those in the U.S. – and the sanctions on Iran are making it increasingly likely. With the midterm elections looming, it's no surprise that the president is trying to deflect blame for outcome of his foreign policy onto foreign oil producers.

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James Allison, Tasuku Honjo win Nobel for cancer research

By JIM HEINTZ and DAVID KEYTON
Associated Press

Bebeto Matthews / AP

James Allison, one of the 2018 Nobel Prize winners for medicine, speaks during a press conference on Monday in New York.

Nobuki Ito / Kyodo News via AP

Tasuku Honjo of Kyoto University speaks during a press conference in Kyoto, Japan, after he was awarded the Nobel Prize in medicine on Monday.

STOCKHOLM — Researchers from the United States and Japan won the Nobel Prize in medicine on Monday for discoveries that help the body marshal its cellular troops to attack invading cancers. One cancer doctor said "an untold number of lives ... have been saved by the science that they pioneered."

James Allison of the University of Texas and Tasuku Honjo of Kyoto University will share the $1.01 million prize for 2018. Their parallel work concerned proteins that act as brakes on the body's immune system.

Their research, which has led to drugs that release the brakes on the immune system, constitutes "a landmark in our fight against cancer," said the Nobel Assembly of Sweden's Karolinska Institute, which selects the winners of the prestigious award.

The discoveries by Allison, 70, and Honjo, 76, "absolutely paved the way for a new approach to cancer treatment," Dr. Jedd Wolchok, chief of the melanoma and immunotherapeutics service at the Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center in New York, told The Associated Press.

He said the idea of releasing the brakes on immune system cells has led to drugs for the skin cancer melanoma and for cancers of the lung, head and neck, bladder, kidney and liver. Just last week, such a drug was approved for treatment of another kind of skin cancer called squamous cell cancer, he said.

Wolchok said "an untold number of lives ... have been saved by the science that they pioneered."

The approach to cancer treatment that was honored with this year's Nobel was used to treat former U.S. President Jimmy Carter, who was diagnosed in 2015 with melanoma, which had spread to his brain.

One of Carter's treatments was a drug that blocked the immune-cell "brake" studied by Honjo. Carter announced in 2016 that he no longer needed treatment.

Although the concept of using the immune system against cancer arose in the 19th century, initial treatments based on the approach were only modestly effective.

"Everybody wanted to do chemotherapy and radiation. The immune system was neglected because there was no strong evidence it could be effective," said Nadia Guerra, head of a cancer laboratory at Imperial College London.

Allison's work, much of it done at the University of California-Berkley, changed that by proving the immune system could identify tumor cells and act against them.

"It's like your body uses your own army to fight cancer," she said.

Allison studied a known protein and developed the concept into a new treatment approach, while Honjo discovered a new protein that also operated as a brake on immune cells.

"I'm honored and humbled to receive this prestigious recognition," Allison said in a statement released by the university's M.D. Anderson Cancer Center in Houston, where he is a professor.

"A driving motivation for scientists is simply to push the frontiers of knowledge. I didn't set out to study cancer, but to understand the biology of T cells, these incredible cells that travel our bodies and work to protect us," he said.

T cells are key immune system soldiers.

At news conference later Monday in Kyoto, Honjo said what makes him most delighted is when he hears from patients who have recovered from serious illnesses because of his research.

Honjo, an avid golf player, said a member of a golf club once walked up to him suddenly, thanking him for the discovery that treated his lung cancer.

"He told me, 'Thanks to you I can play golf again.' ...That was a blissful moment. A comment like that makes me happier than any prize," he said.

The American Cancer Society's chief medical officer says he and colleagues gave a celebratory toast to Allison at a party on Friday – days before the announcement of the Nobel Prize in Medicine – because they agreed this could be his year.

Dr. Otis W. Brawley, a close friend of Allison's, said the Nobel committee usually waits about ten years to make sure a scientific discovery "sticks as being really important."

He said Allison's work a decade ago "really opened up immunotherapy" as a fifth pillar of cancer treatments, after surgery, radiation, chemotherapy and precision therapy.

"The discovery of Jim Allison led to the first drug that routinely caused patients with a metastatic disease – melanoma – to go into complete remission," he said.

Allison's drug, known commercially as Yervoy, became the first to extend the survival of patients with late-stage melanoma. In a statement Monday, he urged more support for basic science research.

Allison said scientists need to better understand "how these drugs work and how they might best be combined with other therapies to improve treatment and reduce unwanted side effects. We need more basic science research to do that."

"It's a great emotional privilege to meet cancer patients who've been successfully treated with immune checkpoint blockade. They are living proof of the power of basic science," he added.

Allison's and Honjo's prize-winning work started in the 1990s and was part of significant advances in cancer immunotherapy. Such treatment is also called "checkpoint therapy," a term that inspired the name of the Checkpoints, a musical group of cancer researchers for which Allison plays harmonica.

"In some patients, this therapy is remarkably effective," Jeremy Berg, editor-in-chief of the Science family of journals, told the AP. "The number of different types of cancers for which this approach to immunotherapy is being found to be effective in at least some patients continues to grow."

Therapy developed from Honjo's work led to long-term remission in patients with metastatic cancer that had been considered essentially untreatable, the Nobel Assembly said.

In other Nobel Prize announcements, the physics prize will be announced Tuesday, followed by chemistry on Wednesday and the Nobel Peace Prize on Friday. The economics laureate, which is not technically a Nobel but is given in honor of Alfred Nobel, the prizes' founder, will be announced next Monday.

No Nobel Literature Prize is being given this year because the Swedish Academy, the body that choses the literature winner, has been in turmoil after sex abuse and financial scandal allegations. The academy hopes to award both the 2018 prize and the 2019 literature prize next year.

Getting it straight

The Herald-Palladium makes every effort to ensure accuracy in its stories.

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Obituaries

Chandra Rae Antonatos

ANTONATOS

Chandra Rae Antonatos, 41, of Bridgman passed away on Saturday, Sept. 29, 2018, at Lakeland Medical Center, St. Joseph, after a courageous health battle for the last year and a half.

Chandra was born Oct. 3, 1976, in Berrien Center. She graduated with honors from River Valley High School in 1995, and Southwestern Michigan College with a 4.0 plus grade point average. Chandra went on to the University of South Carolina and graduated with a bachelor's degree and worked as a paralegal. Demetris was the pride and joy of her life and she loved being a mother.

Funeral services will be held at 1 p.m. Friday, Oct. 5, 2018, at The Boyd Chapel of Pike Funeral and Cremation Services, 9191 Red Arrow Highway, Bridgman. Friends may meet with the family from 11 a.m. until the time of the service on Friday. Burial will be in New Troy Cemetery, New Troy. Memorial contributions may be made to Mel Trotter Ministries, 225 Commerce Ave., Grand Rapids, MI 49503. Online condolences accepted at www.PikeFH.com.

Survivors include her mother, Linda (Gary) Jannert; a son, Demetris Antonatos and his father, Miguel Antonatos; her father, Ralph (Michele) Phillips; and a host of extended family and friends.

Joseph Bournay

Joseph Bournay, 81, of Bangor passed away Saturday, Sept. 29, 2018, at Hanson Hospice Center in Stevensville.

Joe was born on May 5, 1937, in Niles, the son of Jacob and Elizabeth Raab, growing up in Dowagiac and living in Bangor for the majority most of his life. Joe was a manager for the State Liquor Commission in South Haven. Joe spent two years in the Army as an unit armorer, fixing small arms weapons. He was an avid sportsman enjoying hunting, fishing and trapping; when he wasn't hunting or fishing he enjoyed playing horseshoes and was an avid bowler in the Bangor and South Haven bowling leagues. He enjoyed spending time camping and fishing at Ottawa Lake near Iron River, Mich. He was an all-around handyman and builder, as he helped his sons build their houses.

Surviving is wife, Wanda (Huston); two sons, Bruce Bournay, of Augusta, Mich., and Steve Bournay of South Haven; one granddaughter, Alexis Bournay; and his dog, Shadow. Also surviving are two brothers, James Bournay of LaPorte, Ind., George Bournay of Dowagiac; one sister, Betty Tomczak of Dowagiac; and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents; brothers: Fred, Bernard and Conrad; and sisters, Maryann and Adaline.

According to his wishes, cremation has taken place. Memorials can sent to Hanson Hospice Center. A private inurnment will take place with a memorial service to be announced at a later date. Arrangements by the Bangor Chapel, D. L. Miller Funeral Home. www.dlmillerfuneralhome.com.

Gene Behr

Gene Behr, 69, went home to be with his Lord and Savior on Thursday, Sept. 27, 2018, in Fargo, N.D. Freed from the confusion of early onset Alzheimer's, he looked forward to being reunited in heaven with family and friends from a rich Christian heritage.

BEHR

A memorial service is planned for Friday, Oct. 5, in Manvel, N.D.

Gene was born Jan. 21, 1949, in St. Joseph, the son of Edwin and Vera Behr. Gene was a member of First Baptist Church, St. Joseph, where he accepted Jesus Christ and was baptized at 13, together with his brother, Ken. He graduated from St. Joseph High School with the class of 1968 and soon after, joined the U.S. Air Force in the heart of the Vietnam War. Gene chose to make the USAF his career, retiring after 20 years.

While stationed in Grand Forks, N.D., he met and married Teri Corpron, celebrating 42 years until her death in 2015. Together they traveled to several military bases, including two years at Keflavik, Iceland. After retirement, they moved to Riyadh, Saudi Arabia, for four years during the breakout of the Gulf War, Operation Desert Shield. After returning, they called Grand Forks, N.D., home. Gene then worked for Cirrus Aircraft as well as developing his own product line and business in indestructible body panels for International Motor Contest Association (IMCA) stock car racing.

Gene fostered many friendships over the years with his varied interests and talents in art and music, as well as becoming a master gardener. He also enjoyed pitching softball for USAF teams, trap shooting and was a faithful season ticket holder of the University of North Dakota Fighting Sioux hockey team.

Gene is survived by his children, Jennifer and Jeffrey Behr of Grand Forks, N.D.; five grandchildren; and siblings, Ken (Vicki) Behr of Post Falls, Idaho, and Kris Behr of Spokane, Wash.

Paul Jude LaPrad

Paul Jude LaPrad, 91, of St. Joseph passed away Sunday, Sept. 30, 2018, at the Whitcomb.

Mass will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Friday, Oct. 5, at St. Joseph Catholic Church, 211 Church St., St. Joseph. Burial will take place at Hickory Bluff Cemetery with a luncheon following at Starks & Menchinger Chapel, 2650 Niles Road, St. Joseph. Visitation will be from 6-8 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 4, at Starks & Menchinger Chapel. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society. Those wishing to send a condolence online may do so at www.starks-menchinger.com.

Paul was born on Sept. 9, 1927, in Sandusky, Ohio, to Louise and Susanna LaPrad.

After graduating from Kings Point, he sailed on merchant ships on the Atlantic and the Great Lakes. He served in the Naval Reserve as lieutenant on the PCS 1431. After discharge, he worked as a design engineer for the Rotary Lift Co. in Memphis, Tenn. Later he worked for Whirlpool Corp. where he retired in 1982. Paul was a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church.

He is survived by his wife of 62 years, Mary Ann LaPrad; daughters, Sheryl Madges and Theresa Robandt; granddaughters, Kim Nicholas and Kathy (Mike) Szczepkowski; and great-grandsons: Anthony, Christopher, Jonathan and Dominic Szczepkowski.

Death notices

Clara Evelyn (Parks) Barth, 96, of Berrien Springs died Sept. 30, 2018, at her residence. Purely Cremations – Starks Family Funeral Homes, Benton Harbor, 926-9440.

Charles E. "Kayo" Murphy, 92, of St. Joseph died Sept. 30, 2018, at Whitcomb Towers, St. Joseph. Starks & Menchinger Chapel and Cremation Services, St. Joseph, 556-9450.

Max Nash, AP photographer who covered war, dies at 77

By DANICA KIRKA
Associated Press

Tony Margiocchi via AP

Max Nash takes photos in Bedfordshire in February 2016. Nash, who covered the conflicts in Southeast Asia and the Middle East, died Friday after collapsing at home.

LONDON — Photographer Max Nash, who covered the conflicts in Southeast Asia and the Middle East and helped nurture a new generation of female photojournalists during more than 40 years with The Associated Press, has died after collapsing at home. He was 77.

Known in his youth for a mop of flaming red hair, eccentric color combinations in his clothes and the Gitanes he smoked until giving them up later in life, Nash also shot Formula One auto racing, celebrity Red Carpet events and politics before retiring from the AP in 2004.

He didn't want to hang up his cameras, though, and continued working as a freelancer for more than a decade.

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Do you remember?

25 years ago – 1993

Officer Judith Handley Zabicki, a motor carrier officer assigned to the Niles state police post, recently received a 1993 Motor Carrier of the Year Award. Zabicki also was selected to teach motor carrier law at recruit schools because of her outstanding knowledge and application of motor vehicle laws.

Zabicki, 37, is only the second woman to receive the award since it began in 1985.

35 years ago – 1983

Robert Gard, president of Gard Pharmacies located in Sister Lakes and St. Joseph, has been chosen by the Naval Reserve to be Commanding Officer of the Military Sealift Command Office Middle Pacific 113.

Gard is a Naval Reserve captain and a veteran of over 26 years of active and reserve Naval service.

50 years ago – 1968

A request from the citizens committee on relocation of US-31 in the Berrien Springs area for reevaluation of two alternative routes has been referred to the highway relocation committee of the Berrien County planning commission. Last April, the planning commission recommended to the State Highway commission that the US-31 relocation follow a route west of Berrien Springs known as Alternative No. 2. The citizens group favors relocation east of Berrien Springs, known as Alternative No. 1. Main objection to the western route is that it would cut off the only area in which Berrien Springs can expand.

Today in history

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Today is Tuesday, Oct. 2, the 275th day of 2018. There are 90 days left in the year.

Highlight in History:

On Oct. 2, 1944, German troops crushed the two-month-old Warsaw Uprising, during which a quarter of a million people had been killed.

On this date:

In 1780, British spy John Andre was hanged in Tappan, New York, during the Revolutionary War.

In 1941, during World War II, German armies launched an all-out drive against Moscow; Soviet forces succeeded in holding onto their capital.

In 1967, Thurgood Marshall was sworn as an associate justice of the U.S. Supreme Court as the court opened its new term.

In 1971, the music program "Soul Train" made its debut in national syndication.

In 1985, actor Rock Hudson, 59, died at his home in Beverly Hills, California, after battling AIDS.

In 2002, the Washington, D.C.-area sniper attacks began, setting off a frantic manhunt lasting three weeks. (John Allen Muhammad and Lee Boyd Malvo were finally arrested for killing 10 people and wounding three others; Muhammad was executed in 2009; Malvo was sentenced to life in prison.)

5-Day Forecast for St. Joseph

Today	Tonight	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Showers Likely	Mostly Cloudy	Mostly Cloudy	Few Showers	Scattered T-storms	Few Showers
66°	58°	78° / 67°	73° / 55°	67° / 57°	71° / 61°

Local Outlook

Today we will see cloudy skies with an 80% chance of showers, high temperature of 66°, humidity of 91%. West wind 7 to 11 mph. Expect mostly cloudy skies tonight with an overnight low of 58°. South southeast wind 3 to 8 mph.

Sun and Moon

Sunrise ..... 7:43 a.m.
Sunset ..... 7:25 p.m.
Moonrise ..... 12:07 a.m.
Moonset ..... 3:23 p.m.

Last	New	First	Full
10/2	10/8	10/16	10/24

Local Almanac

Benton Harbor Yesterday

Temperature

High	77°
Low	57°
Normal High	69°
Normal Low	46°
Record High	84° in 2002
Record Low	32° in 2003

Precipitation

Yesterday	0.00"
Month to date	0.00"
Normal for month	0.10"
Year to date	25.32"
Normal Year to date	28.85"

Air Quality

Yesterday 20
Main Offender ..... Particles

The higher the number, the greater the need for people with respiratory problems to reduce outside activity.

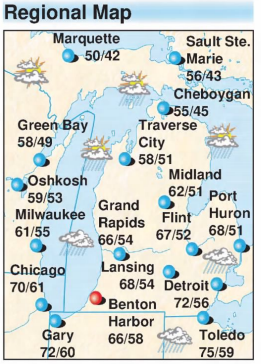
0-50 ..... Good
51-100 ..... Moderate
101-150 .... Sensitive
151-200 .. Unhealthy

Weather Trivia

What is the longest distance travelled by a tornado?

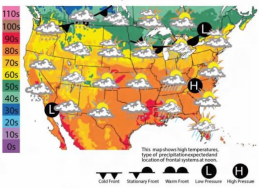
Answer: In 1917, a tornado travelled 293 miles from Missouri to Indiana.

Regional Map



National Weather Map

Forecast map for Oct. 2, 2018



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Lake Michigan

Today, SW wind 6 to 14 kt. Showers and possibly a thunderstorm. Waves around 2 ft. Water temperature 66 degrees. Tonight, NNW wind around 6 kt. A slight chance of showers. Waves 1 to 2 ft.

Michigan Forecast

Upper Peninsula

Today, skies will be mostly cloudy with widespread showers, highs in the 50s. Northeast wind 6 to 14 mph. Expect cloudy skies Wednesday with widespread showers, highs in the 60s and 70s. South southeast wind 7 to 15 mph.

Lower Peninsula

Today, skies will be cloudy with widespread showers, highs in the 60s and 70s. West wind 7 to 11 mph. Expect mostly cloudy skies Wednesday with highs in the 70s. South wind 8 to 16 mph.

Tony Wittkowski / HP staff

Bradford inspects a display case Monday at The Orchards Mall.

BRADFORD

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He said it has been both surprising and encouraging to see the interest among younger residents.

"You see all these kids with their gadgets and you wonder if they really have an appreciation for some of the two-dimensional art still," Bradford said. "But it's really surprised me how receptive they are to this. With that said, I'm pretty optimistic about the workshops."

Bradford will have a booth set up with some of his work this week when the mall hosts a flea market Thursday through Sunday.

The plan is to eventually host wine and canvas events at the mall studio, plus hold gallery shows for other local artists.

"The more artists I can reach out to, the more potential there is for this studio to expand into an even bigger platform for artists to showcase their work," Bradford said.

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SPECTRUM

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remain on its buildings.

The move had the unanimous support of the Lakeland board, and its physicians are excited about becoming a part of Spectrum, Hamel said.

Lakeland will now have access to many new tools through Spectrum, such as MedNow, a virtual health care service, Hamel said.

Hamel will serve as Spectrum's clinical transformation officer, supervising areas such as care management and programs for the underserved.

Decker, who succeeded retiring Richard Breon as Spectrum president and CEO, said Lakeland's emphasis on high-quality patient care aligns with her organization's goals, which will allow for a smooth transition.

Both Lakeland and Spectrum were named among the nation's top 15 health systems by Truven Health Analytics in 2017, with Spectrum listed among the top five largest health systems.

Lakeland and Spectrum already have a history of collaboration that goes back decades, Hamel added. Lakeland Health is a member of Helen DeVos Children's Hospital's Partners in Children's Health collaborative and has partnered with the Spectrum Health Medical Group for specialty services, including cardiovascular care. Lakeland and Spectrum both use the EPIC electronic medical records system.

Spectrum Health employs 26,000, working at 12 hospitals, making it the largest employer in west Michigan. Its facilities include the Helen DeVos Children's Hospital and the Meijer Heart Center. Its hospitals had 76,000 acute care admissions and 383,000 emergency room visits in 2017.

The non-profit Lakeland Health employs 4,000, with hospitals in St. Joseph, Niles and Watervliet, plus 40 other locations. The Marie Yeager Cancer Center opened in Royalton Township opened in 2011, and Hospice at Home became part of the Lakeland system the same year. Lakeland Health was a $500 million enterprise in 2017.

Hamel said some leadership positions would shift, but "there will be no exodus of jobs from St. Joseph to Grand Rapids."

Such mergers are part of a state and national trend. Bronson Healthcare acquired South Haven Health System in January 2017, and Metro Health merged into the University of Michigan Health System in December 2016.

These mergers can make systems more cost-efficient by streamlining administration and other functions. Larger systems also have more leverage to negotiate with insurance companies.

Spectrum provides Priority Health, a health plan that served 1 million people in fiscal year 2018. It is the second-largest health plan in Michigan, with operating revenue of $5.8 billion.

No information has been provided at this point as to whether there will be a change in insurance coverage for Lakeland patients, or whether Spectrum will be an in-network provider.

"We are working through those issues and will be part of announcements in the coming months as we work through the integration plan," said Lakeland spokesperson Elizabeth Meeth.

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TRUANCY

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new truancy prevention system is working well.

"What I like about it is that with Ms. Harvey and Dr. Herrera, we're having some collaborative conversations around looking at the root of the problem," he said. "We're finding out some interesting things."

For example, he said some of the middle school students are chronically late because they have to put their elementary-aged siblings on the bus due to their parents having already left for work. Middle school starts earlier than the elementary schools start.

"The parents need some extra support, so we're exploring some different options," he said.

He said some students say they don't have an alarm clock to wake them up.

"We may supply them with alarm clocks," he said. "We just want to find out what the root of the problem is."

Harvey said the consequences of excessive unexcused absences are serious.

Besides ordering a child to attend the truancy academy, a judge could order that a parent take parenting classes, or that the child receive counseling services. In some cases, the child could be removed from the home and placed in a group home, according to the Truancy Guidelines Handbook from Berrien RESA.

But Harvey said she prefers to stay positive with the children so they want to come to school.

She said one of her success stories at ACA is eighth-grader Trinity Marshall, who is turning it around after receiving three unexcused absences in September.

Marshall's mother, Jessica Davis of Benton Harbor, said Harvey has been mentoring both her and her daughter.

"She's been a really big help in speaking with her and tutoring her on why it's important to be in school, and about the things she can get out of school," Davis said. "She's a mentor to these kids. She's willing to sit down and talk to them and be there for them."

Marshall said she was having problems waking up in the morning because she was staying up too late at night.

"I stay up all night, trying to sneak and watch TV," she said.

Now that she understands how important school is, she said she's been trying to get to bed earlier.

Marshall added that she doesn't want to have to attend truancy school.

Davis said Harvey is an inspiration.

Harvey said that sometimes the girls don't want to come to school because they don't like how their hair looks. That's when she breaks out another one of her sayings – "Beauty is as beauty does, not as beauty looks."

Harvy said there's a lot of peer pressure and pressure from social media to look and act certain ways.

In addition, Harvey highlighted five eighth-grade students with perfect attendance at the middle school. She said not only have they been to school every day, but they are leaders in their class.

All five said that part of their secret to getting to school on time was laying out their clothes the night before.

De'Juan Atterberry said if he didn't set out his clothes the night before, he might miss the bus and be late for school.

Besides laying out his clothes, Ta'Shawn Welch said he goes to bed at 9:30 p.m.

"What wakes me up in the morning is the alarm on my phone," he said. "Sometimes, I wake up on my own because I'm used to waking up at a certain time."

Sa'Niya Jenkins said she gets up very early to see her mother before she leaves for work at 4 a.m.

"Then I lay down for a good 30 minutes and then get back up and get dressed and stuff and wait for my bus to come," she said. "My mom has to work a lot and I want to make sure she has everything she needs and doesn't forget anything."

Jamareon McDowell said having a plan is key.

"You have to be organized. Otherwise, you're losing time," he said.

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Benton Harbor Area Schools' new truancy prevention specialist, Felicia Harvey, back row far left, poses with some of the model eighth-grade students at the district's middle school, Arts & Communications Academy, and the school's principal, Fred Rosebur gh, back row far right. The students are, back row from left, Ta'Shawn Welch, Jamarion McDowell and De'Juan Atterberry; front row from left, Sa'Niya Jenkins, Trinity Marshall and Ta'Laysha Evens. They are standing in front of one of the new murals Roseburgh painted over the summer to brighten the school.

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SJ girls golf wins soggy South Haven invite

Bears weather cold, rain for victory at HawksHead Links

By AARON CRIDER
HP Sports Writer

SOUTH HAVEN — The weather conditions during Monday's South Haven Girls Golf Invitational were those traditionally encountered during the regional tournament. Some heavy rain, coldness and a soggy course made it a difficult day at HawksHead Links.

However, that didn't deter several teams from still playing, including winner St. Joseph.

The Bears won with a team scores of 359. Kalamazoo Hackett was second with 395 and the host Rams were third with 419. St. Joseph's "B" team was fourth.

"Regional and state are always bad weather, might as well get used to it," Bears coach Ryan Walters said. "Hopefully this gives us some confidence we can play in poor weather conditions. I was happy with their scores, it's one of the better rounds this year considering how the weather was for the first nine holes.

"It was a downpour there for a while and there was some standing water (on the course)."

Several teams withdrew from Monday's tournament. Allegan, Lakeshore, Mattawan and Niles were to participate but backed out due to the weather.

ROOKER

Standout Cailey Rooker was medalist, shooting an even-par 72.

Hackett's Emily Stull was second behind Rooker with an 86.

The Bears' Maya Hunter was a close third with a round score of 89. Leah Terry shot 93 and Madison Jackson finished the scoring for St. Joseph with 110.

"We've been working pretty hard this season," Walters said. "We started the year not playing very well, and we've been chipping away each day at practice.

"I'm really happy for Cailey. She's been working really hard after being in the 80s the last couple rounds, she doesn't enjoy that at all. It was fun to see her play so well."

South Haven had one of its better showings in some time.

Makenzie Marr and Sydney Barnes both shot 98 for the Rams, and Jina Patel and Abby Bocock shot 111 and 112, respectively.

"We are doing a little better now," South Haven coach Barry Shanley said. "We are starting to get it now. I'm excited about next year because everyone will be back. We will be competitive next year because everyone will have a winter's worth of golf under them, and (the girls) plan on playing the summer (Lakeshore Junior Golf Association) tour."

Monday's round of 359 is the second-best round the Bears have had this season. They shot a team score of 350 at Cedar Creek in a match against Battle Creek Lakeview on Aug. 17.

With the regular season drawing to an end, Walters said his team's focus is on the regional, which will be held at Coldwater Golf Course in Coldwater starting Oct. 11.

"Friday we will play a pre-regional at (Coldwater)," Walters said. "Right now we are trying to build momentum for the end of the season."

SOUTH HAVEN INVITATIONAL

At HawksHead Links

Team scores — 1. St. Joseph 359, 2. Kalamazoo Hackett 395, 3. South Haven 419, 4. St. Joseph (B) 476. DNF: Allegan, Lakeshore, Mattawan, Niles.

Medalist — Cailey Rooker 72.

St. Joseph — Cailey Rooker 72, Maya Hunter 89, Leah Terry 93, Madison Jackson 110.

Hackett — Emily Stull 86, Olivia Valkner 102, Grace Gordon 103, Meg Christian 103.

South Haven — Makenzie Marr 98, Sydney Barnes 98, Jina Patel 111, Abby Bocock 112.

St. Joseph (B) — Bella Finnigan 109, Grace Thomas 113, Autumn Champion 125, Megan Fairchild 129.

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Bye week comes at wrong time for surging Bears

By GENE CHAMBERLAIN
Associated Press

LAKE FOREST, Ill. — The way Chicago Bears tight end Trey Burton figured it, no one wants to stop when he's having fun.

Burton looked ahead to this week's bye for the Bears following a 48-10 victory over Tampa Bay and saw a potential trap for a team with momentum, although coach Matt Nagy anticipates otherwise.

"It is the worst possible time to have a bye week," said Burton, who won a Super Bowl last season with the Eagles. "Two years ago in Philly, we were 3-1 going into the bye, beating teams up, and lost seven out of nine off the bye week.

"We have a lot of veteran guys who understand the importance of starting fast when we come back. I wish we didn't have a bye week right now."

The Bears play again Oct. 14 at Miami, but Nagy is giving his team off the full bye week instead of holding a practice or two, as had been the procedure in Chicago in the past.

Nagy on Monday said the decision has nothing to do with Sunday's easy victory.

"This is what we were

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Matt Marton / AP

Chicago starting pitcher Jose Quintana delivers during the first inning of Monday's game.

Lions in hole after loss at Dallas

By NOAH TRISTER
AP Sports Writer

ALLEN PARK, Mich. — Last year, the Detroit Lions started 3-1 and didn't make the playoffs — so what happens in September doesn't have to define the season.

The Lions better hope that's the case, because a loss at Dallas last weekend has them in a hole.

"There's a lot of work in front of us," first-year coach Matt Patricia said Monday. "I think we're learning a lot about our team. I think we see a lot of different things on the field. I would say these guys are tough, these guys work extremely hard. They will fight all the way to the end for 60 minutes."

The Lions appeared to be rallying a bit when they beat New England two weekends ago, but Sunday's 26-24 loss to the Cowboys left them at 1-3.

Detroit certainly looks more competitive now than it did in a 31-point loss to the Jets in the opener, but the reality is that the regular season is now 25 percent over, and the Lions are in last place in the NFC North.

A huge home game with Aaron Rodgers and Green Bay looms this coming weekend — the first divisional matchup of the season for the Lions.

"He is an elite player, I think that goes without saying," defensive lineman Da'Shawn Hand said. "Everybody knows him, and they've got a great team."

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Stuck at home

Cubs lose NL Central tiebreaker game to Brewers; will host Rockies in wild card

By JAY COHEN
AP Sports Writer

CHICAGO — Christian Yelich's easy smile and champagne-soaked T-shirt said it all.

A division title is much more fun than a Triple Crown.

Yelich collected three more hits as the Milwaukee Brewers won their first NL Central title since 2011, beating the Chicago Cubs 3-1 on Monday in a tiebreaker game. The silky-smooth slugger stalled in his bid for the league's first Triple Crown in decades, but he starred once again as the Brew Crew captured the biggest prize of the day.

"I know how hard it is to get to this point and I'm proud to be a part of this group," Yelich said as Milwaukee's boozy party swirled around him, filling every inch of the cramped visitors' clubhouse at Wrigley Field.

Lorenzo Cain hit a go-ahead single in the eighth inning to help Milwaukee to its eighth straight win and home-field advantage throughout the NL playoffs. The Brewers will host the wild-card winner starting Thursday in the best-of-five Division Series.

Chicago stays at Wrigley for Tuesday night's wild-card game against Colorado. The Rockies lost 5-2 to the Los Angeles Dodgers in Monday's second tiebreaker for the NL West title.

"It's no fun. Of course we'd prefer the other route," manager Joe Maddon said.

It's a quick turnaround after falling short in their bid for a third straight division title, but the Cubs will have ace left-hander Jon Lester on the mound for the elimination game.

"We'll be ready. This team has responded all year," said Anthony Rizzo, who homered for Chicago's run.

Yelich singled home Milwaukee's first run and won the NL batting title with a .326 average. He had 110 RBIs, one behind the Cubs' Javier Baez, and finished with 36 home runs, two shy of Colorado's Nolan Arenado. The tiebreakers were game 163 of the regular season and Arenado's homer counted in the totals.

Joe Medwick in 1937 was the last NL player to win the Triple Crown. Miguel Cabrera did it for Detroit in 2012.

Milwaukee trailed Chicago by as many as five games in September, but manager Craig Counsell's club pushed the season to an extra day with a furious finish and then used its deep lineup and bullpen to outlast the playoff-tested Cubs.

"It just shows the heart and the mentality that this team has," Cain said. "Never give up. Continue to fight each and every day in each and every at-bat. We're going to continue to do that in the playoffs."

Orlando Arcia, batting in the eighth slot, had a career-high four hits, and Josh Hader closed out another dominant relief performance for the Brewers.

"All the guys in the 'pen, they're attacking the zone and putting us in a good

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Michigan RB Higdon packed on muscle to give, take pounding

Jim Young / AP

Michigan's Karan Higdon, top, is tackled by Northwestern's Montre Hartage during the second half of Saturday's game.

By LARRY LAGE
AP Sports Writer

ANN ARBOR — Michigan running back Karan Higdon packed on about 15 pounds on muscle during the offseason, hoping the extra weight would help him give and take a pounding.

It's working.

Higdon had a career-high 30 carries, ran for 115 yards and scored two touchdowns to help the Wolverines rally from a 17-point deficit to beat Northwestern 20-17.

Two days later, the 5-foot-10, 205-pound senior insisted his body felt fine. He credited the team's strength and conditioning staff for getting him ready for the performance and the recovery.

"More muscle mass and more weight prepared my body to take a lot more hits," Higdon said Monday. "Last year, I ran the same way — hard, angry. I'm doing the same thing this year. I'm just a little heavier."

No. 15 Michigan (4-1, 2-0 Big Ten) will likely lean on Higdon to carry a heavy load against Maryland (3-1, 1-0) on Saturday at home. Higdon is averaging 119.8 yards rushing per game, ranking second in the Big Ten and ninth in the nation.

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He has been slowed down just twice this season. Notre Dame limited him to 72 yards and a score on 21 carries in its season-opening win. Higdon missed the SMU game two weeks later with an undisclosed injury.

In his past three games against the Wildcats, Nebraska and Western Michigan, he has averaged 136 yards rushing.

"The biggest improvement I've seen from Karan is the extra yards, the yards after contract that he's gaining," Michigan coach Jim Harbaugh said. "If a play is blocked for 2 yards, he's getting 4 and 5. The thing he's continuing to build on is his ability to catch the ball. He's done that and been able to turn a 4-yard gain into a 7- 8- or 9-yard gain, making the first defender miss."

Higdon has caught just two passes this year, gaining 9 yards on one catch and 7 on the other.

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In brief

Police chopper stirs debris during Penn State crowd control

STATE COLLEGE, Pa. (AP) — A state police helicopter responding to unruly tailgaters before Penn State's game with Ohio State on Saturday blew over tents and kicked up debris, with stunned reactions by onlookers recorded on social media.

State police said Monday that a trooper suffered a broken wrist while trying to arrest a man who had allegedly struck a state police horse, part of a horse-mounted team summoned when the party with hundreds of revelers got out of hand.

Agency spokesman Ryan Tarkowski said troopers on the ground were pulled back "in an effort to de-escalate the situation," after which the helicopter arrived and flew low over the crowd.

"The helicopter made an initial pass at a higher altitude, but (the) loudspeaker could not be ... heard," Tarkowski said. "The second pass was lower to ensure people on the ground could hear the order to disperse. PSP helicopters may fly at an altitude that will best accomplish the mission at hand while keeping safety in mind."

He said the man who allegedly struck a horse was taken into custody by university police.

Soccer star Ronaldo sued, accused of rape by Nevada woman

Soccer star Cristiano Ronaldo is being sued by a Nevada woman who said he raped her in the penthouse suite of a Las Vegas hotel in 2009 and then dispatched a team of "fixers" to obstruct the criminal investigation and trick her into keeping quiet for $375,000.

The suit filed Thursday asks the Clark County District Court to void the 2010 settlement and non-disclosure agreement, claiming the woman was so traumatized by the events that she was incapable of participating in negotiations. The suit also accuses unknown people and companies of conspiring to undermine the criminal case and manipulate her into accepting a six-figure payoff from a player who now makes about $35 million (30 million euros) a year.

Ronaldo's attorney, Christian Schertz, did not immediately respond to an email seeking comment. But after a report on the case in Der Spiegel last week, he threatened to sue the German magazine, saying: "It violates the personal rights of our client Cristiano Ronaldo in an exceptionally serious way."

Seahawks owner Paul Allen says cancer has returned

SEATTLE (AP) — Billionaire Seattle Seahawks owner and Microsoft cofounder Paul Allen says cancer he was treated for in 2009 has returned.

Allen said on Twitter Monday that he recently learned of the non-Hodgkin's lymphoma and plans to fight it aggressively.

He says there have been advances in medicine since he overcame the disease nearly a decade ago and that he and his doctors are optimistic that he will see good results from the latest therapies.

The 65-year-old says he will continue to stay involved with his Vulcan real estate company, the Allen Institutes, the Seahawks and Portland Trail Blazers and has confidence in leadership teams to manage operations while he undergoes treatment.

Bradley, Guzan, Pulisic return to U.S. national team

CHICAGO (AP) — Midfielder Michael Bradley and goalkeeper Brad Guzan will be back with the U.S. national team for the first time since the loss at Trinidad and Tobago last October that ended the Americans' streak of seven straight World Cup appearances.

Star 20-year-old midfielder Christian Pulisic also is on the 24-man roster announced Monday for games against Colombia on Oct. 11 at Tampa, Florida, and versus Peru five days later at East Hartford, Connecticut.

Bradley, the 31-year-old U.S. captain, has 17 goals in 140 international appearances and figures to among only a few veterans who will be integrated with a young core group that has won three, lost two and tied three.

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3:00 a.m. (ESPN2) **Golf** Asia-Pacific Amateur Championship, First Round. (Live)

Radio today

8 p.m.
MLB — Rockies at Cubs (WSCR-AM, 670)

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High school scoreboard

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VOLLEYBALL

MICHIGAN LUTHERAN D. BERRIEN SPRINGS 21-25, 15-25, 25-16, 25-7, 15-11

Lutheran — Mara Rugen 14 kills, 3 blocks, 21 digs; Maria Rush 6 kills, 16 digs, 4 aces; Belle Gallagher 4 kills, 6 digs, 10 assists; Hailey Conrad 3 digs, 12 assists, 1 ace; Abby Harris 3 kills, 2 digs; Holly Schlutt 10 digs; Rebekah Hisle 1 kill, 2 blocks; Booke Grelach 3 digs; Clare Berghaus 5 digs.
Berrien Springs — Jacklyn Alsbro 1 block, 1 kill, 1 ace, 2 digs, 3 assists; Gabby Cuthbert 5 kills, 2 aces, 4 dgis; Zoe Dortch 2 blocks, 4 kills, 2 assists; Olivia Elliott 9 kills, 6 aces, 5 digs, 1 assist; Ellie Griffiths 1 block, 3 kills, Alexa Kesterke 1 kill, 9 digs; Lauren Landry 1 ace, 5 digs; Karissa Potter 1 kills, 4 aces, 8 digs, 15 assists; Kylee Smith 1 kill, 1 dig.
Records — Michigan Lutheran 9-10-5, Berrien Springs 7-12-7.

ST. JOSEPH D. PAW PAW 25-15, 25-15, 25-13

St. Joseph — Carolyn Turak 3 kills, 2 assists, 1 ace, 3 digs; Kate Gersonde 8 digs; Sydney Briney 9 kills, 1 ace, 3 digs; Karly Klaer 3 kills, 25 assists, 2 digs, 3 blocks; Amanda Schoudt 4 kills, 1 ace, 7 digs, 1 block; Liam Hodgson 6 kills, 6 digs, 1 block; Gabie Maxim 5 kills, 5 blocks.

BRANDYWINE D. NILES 25-11, 25-16, 25-16

Niles — Abbie Harpenau 5 kills, 6 blocks, 3 digs; Nikki Nate 4 kills, 6 digs; Taylor Bailey 3 kills, 3 blocks, 6 digs, 3 assists; Zoie Appleberry 1 kill; Marika Ruppart 1 kill, 2 blocks, 1 dig; Emelyn Tucker 1 block, 3 digs, 6 assists; Trystin Schlutt 4 digs; Rachel Moore 3 digs.
Record — Niles 16-18-2.

BOYS SOCCER

HARTFORD 6, COMSTOCK 2

Goals — Hartford: Miggy Cardoso (2), Joel Soto, Israel Ugalde, Roy Rodriguez, Jesus Martinez
Assists — Hartford: Fernando Alvarez (3), Grandon Galvan, Rodriguez
Halftime — Hartford 4-0
Saves — Rudy Martinez (H) 6
Record — Hartford 13-2
Complete results unavailable.

LAKE MICHIGAN CATHOLIC 3, LAWRENCE 1

Goals — Lawrence: Abraham Robles. Catholic: Andrew Glotzbach, Vito LaRocca, Eli Zoratney
Assits — Larence: Mauricio Mancera. Catholic: Connor Shooks, Michael Markoch
Halftime — Lawrence 1-0
Shots on goal — Lawrence 4, Catholic 19
Saves — Tim Kessler (C) 3
Record — Lake Michigan Catholic 5-6-3.

BANGOR 2, PARCHMENT 1

Goals — Bangor: Rolando Munoz, Jonathan Nieva
Halftime — Bangor 1-1
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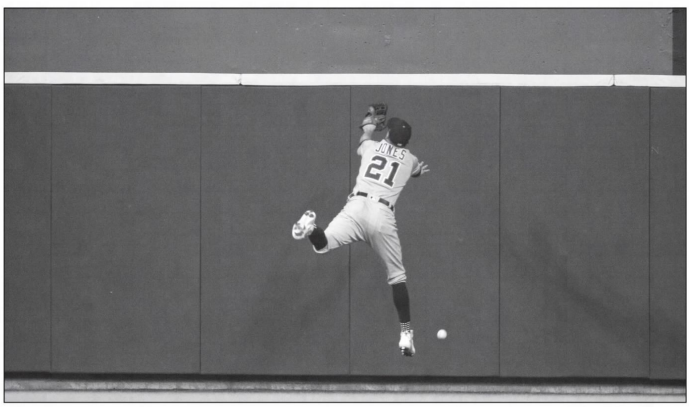

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Detroit Tigers left fielder JaCoby Jones misses a fly ball hit from Milwaukee Brewers center fielder Lorenzo Cain during the seventh inning of Sunday's game.

Tigers hoping prospects start turning into major players

By NOAH TRISTER
AP Baseball Writer

DETROIT — The Detroit Tigers avoided some of their worst-case scenarios this season. They didn't finish last, or all that close to it.

In the end, however, they had the same record as in 2017, and the franchise still seems a long way from contention.

"Not everything is going to go perfect. As you know, some things are going to turn out good, some not," general manager Al Avila said. "I feel we had a good year for the first year of our rebuild. We played with a lot of players that made their major league debuts. We saw some good performances and we saw some that were not as good."

Detroit went 64-98, the same record the Tigers had last year, when they ended up tied for the worst record in baseball. There were a few teams worse than that this season, which may have contributed to the sense that Detroit was exceeding expectations.

The Tigers are hoping some of the prospects in their system turn into players they can build around. In that respect, 2018 has been inconclusive. Detroit hasn't yet been able to bring a significant number of top prospects to the majors.

"This is just the beginning. If you think we are young now wait until next year," said Ron Gardenhire, who was in his first season managing the Tigers. "We'll see. That's the goal is to get all these young kids up here and play them. Triple-A is going to be full of prospects. Guys that are knocking on the door."

PROSPECT WATCH

Outfielder Christin Stewart, Detroit's No. 6 prospect according to mlb.com , made his big league debut this season, playing in 17 games. He hit 25 home runs in the minors this year. The team's top five prospects on that list are all pitchers, and they're at varying stages. Casey Mize, the top pick in this year's draft, made five starts in the low levels of the minors. Franklin Perez, who came to the organization in the trade for Justin Verlander in 2017, was limited to seven minor league starts this year by injury problems . Matt Manning, Alex Faedo and Beau Burrows have all pitched at Double-A, and they'll be prospects to watch in 2019.

PAYROLL

Detroit shed a lot of salary in 2017, trading Verlander and Justin Upton. Victor Martinez's big contract comes off the books now, but as a rebuilding team, the Tigers aren't likely to be big spenders in the short term.

"I don't know what payroll is going to look like. It could very easily come down, it could stay neutral," Avila said. "I'm trying my best not to make it any higher because that's not where we want to go. It's my goal to set up the organization's foundation moving forward for success."

Rebuilding White Sox keep eyes on future, payoff for rebuild

By ANDREW SELIGMAN
AP Sports Writer

CHICAGO — The Chicago White Sox lost 100 games, struck out more times than any other team in major league history and had several key prospects suffer serious injuries.

They missed the playoffs for the 10th straight year, too.

Still, the White Sox hope the worst of the rebuild is behind them and general manager Rick Hahn expects to see more signs of a turnaround next season with the young players on the roster continuing to mature and promising prospects in the pipeline.

"I don't think it's too early to say we expect to be certainly more competitive," Hahn said.

After dropping 95 games last year, the White Sox came within six losses of the franchise record at 62-100. Only the Baltimore Orioles and Kansas City Royals had worse marks. They also set the major league record by striking out 1,594 times.

"A lot of ups and a lot of downs," manager Rick Renteria said. "Probably more downs than ups but some moments of clarity that we see for some of the guys that we have that we believe will be impactful for us going forward."

STAY OR GO

The White Sox hung onto Jose Abreu and Avisail Garcia last winter. The question is whether they will this time. Both players could be attractive to contenders with prospects to spare, though they had their seasons cut short by injuries. Abreu made his second All-Star team, but missed most of the final six weeks because of surgery to repair a testicular torsion and then an infection in his right thigh shortly after returning. Garcia went from hitting .330 in a breakout All-Star season in 2017 to .236 while being limited to 93 games because of discomfort in his right knee. He will have surgery.

PITCHING IN

The White Sox appear to have three solid rotation pitchers for the future in Carlos Rodon, Lucas Giolito and Reynaldo Lopez. Dylan Cease could join them at some point next season. The right-hander dominated at Class A and Double-A this year. Hahn might also look for outside help to boost the rotation and bullpen in the short term.

"Just because we foresee a guy like Dylan Cease, let's say, being a stalwart in a championship rotation in the future, we are going to wait until he's fully ready to start that process," Hahn said. "In the interim, we need to come up with alternatives."

ON THE MARKET

Manny Machado and Bryce Harper are due to hit the free agent market. That raises a question: Would the White Sox make a move for a big star now?

"If we see long term pieces that make sense, in addition to augmenting the pitching or filling certain needs for 2019, I think we have the flexibility to pursue them and we are going to be opportunistic and respond to the market accordingly," said Hahn, who did not mention any players by name.

IN THE PIPELINE

Prized outfielder Eloy Jimenez looks like he's ready to make his major league debut. Jimenez — who along with Cease came to Chicago in the deal that sent Jose Quintana to the Cubs last season — hit a combined 337 with 22 homers and 75 RBIs for Double-A Birmingham and Triple-A Charlotte this year. Despite those numbers, the White Sox did not call him up. If they wait until mid-April, they will have him under contract control until 2025 rather than 2024. A similar scenario unfolded in 2015 between Kris Bryant and the Cubs.

AREA SCHEDULE

Today
Volleyball
Gobles at Watervliet, 5:30
Coloma at Saugatuck, 6:30
Decatur at Mendon, 6:30
Cassopolis at Hartford, 6:30
Centreville at Eau Claire, 6:30
Marcellus at Bangor, 6:30
Bloomingdale at White Pigeon, 5:30
Boys soccer
St. Joseph at Gull Lake, 6:30
Kal. Loy Nerrix at Lakeshore, 6:45
Mattawan at Niles, 5:30
Cross country
Vicksburg at South Haven, 5
Dowagiac at Edwardsburg, 5
Girls golf
Michigan Lutheran at KVA championship (Hampshire), 9
Boys tennis
Byron Center at St. Joseph, 4
Three Rivers at Coloma, 4:30
Dowagiac at Brandywine, 4
Girls swimming
Port. Northern at St. Joseph, 6
Mattawan at Bridgman, 6
South Haven at Allegan, 6

BOWLING

KELLEY'S BOWL
LAKESHORE LASSIES — Nicki Brose 622 (235), Tricia Morris 602 (204), Jenny Bradford 541, Diana Nash 538, Sue Cooper 536 (204), Karyn Fricke 534, Candy Selent 529 (214). Team: Bowling Besties 1,131 (417).

HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL

SOUTHWESTERN MICHIGAN ATHLETIC CONFERENCE
West Division

	DivOverall		PF	PA
Portage Northern	3-1	4-2	149	54
St. Joseph	3-1	4-2	142	59
Portage Central	2-1	4-2	145	112
Lakeshore	2-2	3-3	50	79
Mattawan	1-2	4-2	102	57
Niles	0-4	2-4	74	127
East Division				
	DivOverall		PF	PA
Kal. Central	3-0	4-2	147	104
BC Central	2-1	4-2	180	172
BC Lakeview	1-2	1-5	85	120
Kal. Loy Nerrix	1-2	1-5	64	239
Gull Lake	0-3	0-6	95	209

WOLVERINE CONFERENCE

	ConfOverall		PF	PA
Edwardsburg	6-0	6-0	349	19
Three Rivers	6-0	6-0	203	35
Pew Paw	4-2	4-2	134	115
Plainwell	4-2	4-2	216	153
Dowagiac	3-3	3-3	215	138
Otsego	3-3	3-3	132	177
Vicksburg	2-4	2-4	171	168
Allegan	1-5	1-5	50	290
Sturgis	1-5	1-5	75	192
South Haven	0-6	0-6	65	323

BERRIEN-CASS-ST. JOSEPH CONFERENCE
Red Division

	DivOverall		PF	PA
Berrien Springs	2-0	5-1	219	98
Buchanan	1-0	1-5	67	255
Comstock	0-1	2-4	157	270
Parchment	0-2	0-6	84	252
White Division				
	DivOverall		PF	PA
Brandywine	2-0	4-2	266	182
River Valley	2-1	4-2	159	173
Lake Mich. Catholic	0-2	1-5	18	271
South County	0-1	0-6	60	226

SOUTHWESTERN ATHLETIC CONFERENCE
Valley Division

	DivOverall		PF	PA
Kal. United	2-0	6-0	388	53
Schoolcraft	2-0	5-1	272	151
Constantine	1-1	5-1	281	115
Delton Kellogg	1-1	5-1	252	122
Coloma	0-2	3-3	220	240
Watervliet	0-2	2-4	214	273
Lakeshore Division				
	DivOverall		PF	PA
Fennville	2-0	5-1	166	101
Saugatuck	2-0	5-1	301	171
Lawton	2-0	3-3	117	192
Martin	0-2	3-3	175	113
Galesburg-Augusta	0-2	1-5	87	183
Gobles	0-2	1-5	41	229

SOUTHWEST 10 CONFERENCE

	ConfOverall		PF	PA
Centreville	6-0	6-0	235	26
Cassopolis	5-0	6-0	326	18
Decatur	4-2	4-2	152	88
Hartford	3-2	4-2	141	71
White Pigeon	3-2	4-2	168	78
Mendon	2-3	4-3	151	86
Bloomingdale	1-4	1-5	56	239
Bangor	0-5	0-6	20	342
Marcellus	0-6	0-6	27	202

NORTH CENTRAL THUMB
8-MAN – RED DIVISION

	ConfOverall		PF	PA
Lawrence	2-1	2-4	132	189

INDEPENDENT

	Overall		PF	PA
Benton Harbor	2-3		132	120
Eau Claire	1-2		28	81
Michigan Lutheran	0-6		28	394

DIVISION 1

School	Total Points	
1. Detroit Cass Tech (5)	(6-0)	50
2. Clinton Township Chippewa Valley	(6-0)	44
3. Clarkston	(6-0)	38
4. Belleville	(6-0)	35
5. Detroit Catholic Central	(5-1)	29
6. East Kentwood	(5-1)	22
7. Davison	(6-0)	17
(tie) West Bloomfield	(5-1)	17
9. Lapeer	(6-0)	9
10. Dearborn Fordson	(5-1)	6

Others receiving votes: Grosse Pointe South 3, Brighton 3, Macomb Dakota 2.

DIVISION 2

School	Total Points	
1. Detroit King (3)	(5-1)	48
2. Muskegon Mona Shores (1)	(6-0)	43
3. Oak Park (1)	(6-0)	42
4. Warren De La Salle	(5-1)	37
5. Fenton	(5-1)	30
6. Jackson	(6-0)	14
(tie) Livonia Churchill	(4-2)	14
(tie) Traverse City Central	(5-1)	14
9. Port Huron Northern	(5-1)	11
(tie) Birmingham Brother Rice	(4-2)	11

Others receiving votes: Birmingham Groves 9, Livonia Franklin 2.

DIVISION 3

School	Total Points	
1. Muskegon (5)	(6-0)	50
2. DeWitt	(6-0)	45
3. River Rouge	(5-1)	37
4. Farmington Hills Harrison	(5-1)	35
5. Grand Rapids Christian	(5-1)	30
6. Mount Pleasant	(6-0)	25
7. Warren Woods Tower	(6-0)	21
8. East Lansing	(5-1)	15
9. Zeeland East	(5-1)	9
10. Spring Lake	(5-1)	4

Others receiving votes: Ortonville Brandon 2, Cedar Springs 1, Middleville Thornapple Kellogg 1.

DIVISION 4

School	Total Points	
1. Edwardsburg (4)	(6-0)	49
2. GR Catholic Central (1)	(5-1)	46
3. Three Rivers	(6-0)	39
4. Williamston	(5-1)	36
5. Grosse Ile	(6-0)	30
6. Hudsonville Unity Christian	(5-1)	21
7. Milan	(5-1)	15
8. Alma	(5-1)	12
9. Freeland	(5-1)	6
10. Harper Woods	(4-2)	5
(tie) Lake Odessa Lakewood	(5-1)	5

Others receiving votes: Dearborn Heights Robichaud 4, Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook-Kingswood 3, Escanaba 3, Goodrich 1.

DIVISION 5

School	Total Points	
1. Saginaw Swan Valley (4)	(6-0)	40
2. Portland	(6-0)	34
3. Muskegon Oakridge	(6-0)	33
4. Reed City	(6-0)	29
5. Kalamazoo United	(6-0)	23
6. Olivet	(6-0)	17
7. Lansing Catholic	(5-1)	15
8. Frankenmuth	(5-1)	11
9. Hillsdale	(6-0)	10
10. Montague	(5-1)	7

Others receiving votes: Grand Rapids West Catholic 1.

DIVISION 6

School	Total Points	
1. Jackson Lumen Christi (4)	(6-0)	40
2. TraverseCitySt.Francis	(6-0)	36
3. Warren Michigan Collegiate	(6-0)	31
4. Ithaca	(5-1)	29
5. Lake City	(6-0)	23
6. Grass Lake	(6-0)	15
7. Kent City	(6-0)	13
8. Calumet	(6-0)	11
9. Millington	(5-1)	10
10. Schoolcraft	(5-1)	7

Others receiving votes: Hemlock 2, Flint Hamady 2, Constantine 1.

DIVISION 7

School	Total Points	
1. Pewamo-Westphalia (4)	(6-0)	49
2. New Lothrop	(6-0)	42
2. Ottawa Lake Whiteford (1)	(6-0)	42
4. Ubly	(6-0)	34
5. Madison Heights Madison	(6-0)	30
6. Reading	(6-0)	28
7. Saugatuck	(5-1)	15
8. Detroit Loyola	(4-2)	11
9. West Iron County	(5-1)	9
10. Sandusky	(6-0)	6

Others receiving votes: Cassopolis 5, Clinton 2, Iron Mountain 2.

DIVISION 8

School	Total Points	
1. Pittsford (3)	(6-0)	48
2. Breckenridge (1)	(6-0)	44
3. Saginaw ML Seminary (1)	(6-0)	38
4. Clarkston Everest Collegiate	(6-0)	33
5. Johannesburg-Lewiston	(5-1)	24
6. Adrian Lenawee Christian	(5-1)	18
7. Rogers City	(5-1)	14
(tie) Climax-Scotts	(2-3)	14
9. Sterling Hts. Parkway Christian	(6-0)	11
10. Harbor Beach	(5-1)	5

Others receiving votes: Fowler 3, St. Ignace LaSalle 3, Waterford Our Lady 3, Frankfort 1.

DIVISION 8 Player

School	Total Points	
1. Pickford (8)	(6-0)	80
2. Colon	(6-0)	70
3. Morrice	(6-0)	65
4. Wyoming Tri-unity Christian	(6-0)	64
5. Engadine	(5-1)	19

Others receiving votes: Au Gres-Sims 13, Onekama 12, Posen 6, Powers North Central 6.

MLB

American League
East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
x-Boston	108	54	.667	—
y-New York	100	62	.617	8
Tampa Bay	90	72	.556	18
Toronto	73	89	.451	35
Baltimore	47	115	.290	61
Central Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
x-Cleveland	91	71	.562	—
Minnesota	78	84	.481	13
Detroit	64	98	.395	27
Chicago	62	100	.383	29
Kansas City	58	104	.358	33
West Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
x-Houston	103	59	.636	—
y-Oakland	97	65	.599	6
Seattle	89	73	.549	14
Los Angeles	80	82	.494	23
Texas	67	95	.414	36

x-clinched division
y-clinched wild card

Saturday's Games

N.Y. Yankees 8, Boston 5
Houston 4, Baltimore 3, 1st game
Tampa Bay 4, Toronto 3
Milwaukee 6, Detroit 5
Minnesota 8, Chicago White Sox 3
Kansas City 9, Cleveland 4
Houston 5, Baltimore 2, 2nd game
Oakland 5, L.A. Angels 2
Seattle 4, Texas 1

Sunday's Games

Baltimore 4, Houston 0
Boston 10, N.Y. Yankees 2
L.A. Angels 5, Oakland 4
Milwaukee 11, Detroit 0
Minnesota 5, Chicago White Sox 4
Seattle 3, Texas 1
Tampa Bay 9, Toronto 4
Cleveland 2, Kansas City 1

National League
East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
x-Atlanta	90	72	.556	—
Washington	82	80	.506	8
Philadelphia	80	82	.494	10
New York	77	85	.475	13
Miami	63	98	.391	26½
Central Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
x-Milwaukee	96	67	.589	—
z-Chicago	95	68	.584	1
St. Louis	88	74	.543	7
Pittsburgh	82	79	.509	12½
Cincinnati	67	95	.414	28
West Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
x-Los Angeles	92	71	.565	—
z-Colorado	91	72	.560	1
Arizona	82	80	.506	9
San Francisco	73	89	.451	18
San Diego	66	96	.407	25

z-clinched playoff berth
x-clinched division

Saturday's Games

St. Louis 2, Chicago Cubs 1
L.A. Dodgers 10, San Francisco 6
Cincinnati 3, Pittsburgh 0
Philadelphia 3, Atlanta 0
Milwaukee 6, Detroit 5
N.Y. Mets 1, Miami 0, 13 innings
Washington 12, Colorado 2
Arizona 5, San Diego 4

Sunday's Games

L.A. Dodgers 15, San Francisco 0
Philadelphia 3, Atlanta 1
Colorado 12, Washington 0
Milwaukee 11, Detroit 0
N.Y. Mets 1, Miami 0
Pittsburgh 6, Cincinnati 5, 10 innings
San Diego 4, Arizona 3, 10 innings
Chicago Cubs 10, St. Louis 5

Monday's Games

Milwaukee 3, Chicago Cubs 1 (NL Central tiebreaker)
L.A. Dodgers 5, Colorado 0 (NL West tiebreaker)

BREWERS 3, CUBS 1

Milwaukee					Chicago				
	ab	r	h	bi		ab	r	h	bi
Cain cf	4	0	1	0	D.Mrphy 2b	4	0	1	0
Yelich rf-lf	4	0	3	1	Zobrist rf-lf	3	0	0	0
Braun lf	4	0	1	1	J.Baez ss	4	0	1	0
Brodon rf	4	0	0	0	Rizzo 1b	4	1	1	1
Aguilar 1b	4	0	1	0	Bryant 3b	2	0	0	0
Hader p	0	0	0	0	Schwrbr lf	2	0	0	0
Schoop 2b	4	0	0	0	Chavez p	0	0	0	0
Mstakas 3b	4	0	1	0	L.Stlts ph	1	0	0	0
Kratz c	4	0	0	0	J.Wlson p	0	0	0	0
O.Arcia ss	4	2	4	0	Cishek p	0	0	0	0
Chacin p	0	0	0	0	R.Rerio p	0	0	0	0
Cedeno p	0	0	0	0	Kntzler p	0	0	0	0
Soria p	0	0	0	0	J.Grcia p	0	0	0	0
Knebel p	0	0	0	0	Heyward cf	3	0	0	0
D.Sntna ph	1	1	1	0	Qintana p	1	0	0	0
T.Shaw 1b	1	0	0	0	I.Happ cf	0	0	0	0
					Almora ph	1	0	0	0
					Contras c	3	0	0	0
Totals	34	3	12	3	Totals	28	1	3	1

Milwaukee	001	000	020—3
Chicago	000	010	000—1

DP–Milwaukee 2, Chicago 2. LOB–Milwaukee 6, Chicago 3. 2B–D.Santana (14). HR–Rizzo (25). SB–Yelich (22). CS–Braun (5). S–Chacin 2 (9).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Milwaukee						
Chacin	5.2	1	1	1	2	3
Cedeno	0	1	0	0	1	0
Soria	0.1	0	0	0	0	1
Knebel W,4-3	1	0	0	0	0	1
Hader S,12	2	1	0	0	0	3
Chicago						
Quintana	5	6	1	1	0	4
Chavez	2	0	0	0	0	1
Wilson L,4-5	0	2	2	2	0	0
Cishek	0	1	0	0	0	0
Rosario	0.1	0	0	0	0	1
Kintzler	0.2	1	0	0	0	0
Garcia	1	2	0	0	0	0

Quintana pitched to 1 batter in the 6th
Cedeno pitched to 2 batters in the 6th
J.Wilson pitched to 2 batters in the 8th
Cishek pitched to 1 batter in the 8th
Umpires–Home, Fieldin Cubreth; First, Jeff Nelson; Second, Jim Reynolds; Third, Chad Fairchild.
T-3:06. A-38,450 (41,649).

Postseason
All Times TBA
WILD CARD

Tuesday, Oct. 2: Colorado at Chicago (ESPN)
Wednesday, Oct. 3: Oakland (Hendricks 0-1) at New York (Severino 19-8, Happ 7-0 or Tanaka 12-6) (TBS)

DIVISION SERIES
(Best-of-5; x-if necessary)
American League
All Games on TBS
Boston vs. New York-Oakland winner
Friday, Oct. 5: New York-Oakland winner at Boston
Saturday, Oct. 6: New York-Oakland winner at Boston
Monday, Oct. 8: Boston at New York-Oakland winner
x-Tuesday, Oct. 9: Boston at New York-Oakland winner
Houston vs. Cleveland
Friday, Oct. 5: Cleveland at Houston
Saturday, Oct. 6: Cleveland at Houston
Monday, Oct. 8: Houston at Cleveland
x-Tuesday, Oct. 9: Houston at Cleveland
x-Thursday, Oct. 11: Cleveland at Houston
National League
FS1 and MLB Network
Milwaukee vs. wild card
Thursday, Oct. 4: wild card at Milwaukee
Friday, Oct. 5: wild card at Milwaukee
Sunday, Oct. 7: Milwaukee at wild card
x-Monday, Oct. 8: Milwaukee at wild card
x-Wednesday, Oct. 10: wild card at Milwaukee
Los Angeles vs. Atlanta
Thursday, Oct. 4: Atlanta at Los Angeles
Friday, Oct. 5: Atlanta at Los Angeles
Sunday, Oct. 7: Los Angeles at Atlanta
x-Monday, Oct. 8: Los Angeles at Atlanta
x-Wednesday, Oct. 10: Atlanta at Los Angeles

NFL

All Times EDT
AMERICAN CONFERENCE
East

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Miami	3	1	0	.750	82	90
New England	2	2	0	.500	95	84
Buffalo	1	3	0	.250	50	106
N.Y. Jets	1	3	0	.250	89	89
South						
	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Tennessee	3	1	0	.750	75	73
Jacksonville	3	1	0	.750	88	56
Houston	1	3	0	.250	96	108
Indianapolis	1	3	0	.250	94	100
North						
	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Cincinnati	3	1	0	.750	126	113
Baltimore	3	1	0	.750	123	65
Pittsburgh	1	2	1	.375	102	116
Cleveland	1	2	1	.375	102	104
West						
	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Kansas City	3	1	0	1.000	118	92
Denver	2	1	0	.667	61	70
L.A. Chargers	2	2	0	.500	111	120
Oakland	1	3	0	.250	97	123

NATIONAL CONFERENCE
East

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Washington	2	1	0	.667	64	44
Dallas	2	2	0	.500	67	77
Philadelphia	2	2	0	.500	82	81
N.Y. Giants	1	3	0	.250	73	95
South						
	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
New Orleans	3	1	0	.750	137	121
Carolina	2	1	0	.667	71	60
Tampa Bay	2	2	0	.500	112	139
Atlanta	1	3	0	.250	116	122
North						
	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Chicago	3	1	0	.750	111	65
Green Bay	2	1	1	.625	92	83
Minnesota	1	2	1	.375	90	110
Detroit	1	3	0	.250	94	114
West						
	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
L.A. Rams	4	0	0	1.000	140	67
Seattle	2	2	0	.500	85	81
San Francisco	1	3	0	.250	100	118
Arizona	0	4	0	.000	37	94

Thursday's Game
L.A. Rams 38, Minnesota 31

Sunday's Games

New England 38, Miami 7
Dallas 26, Detroit 24
Chicago 48, Tampa Bay 10
Green Bay 22, Buffalo 0
Jacksonville 31, N.Y. Jets 12
Cincinnati 37, Atlanta 36
Tennessee 26, Philadelphia 23, OT
Houston 37, Indianapolis 34, OT
Seattle 20, Arizona 17
New Orleans 33, N.Y. Giants 18
L.A. Chargers 29, San Francisco 27
Oakland 45, Cleveland 42, OT
Baltimore 26, Pittsburgh 14
Open: Washington, Carolina

Monday's Game
Kansas City at Denver

Thursday, Oct. 4
Indianapolis at New England, 8:20 p.m.

Sunday, Oct. 7
Miami at Cincinnati, 1 p.m.
N.Y. Giants at Carolina, 1 p.m.
Denver at N.Y. Jets, 1 p.m.
Jacksonville at Kansas City, 1 p.m.
Green Bay at Detroit, 1 p.m.
Baltimore at Cleveland, 1 p.m.
Atlanta at Pittsburgh, 1 p.m.
Tennessee at Buffalo, 1 p.m.
Oakland at L.A. Chargers, 4:05 p.m.
Minnesota at Philadelphia, 4:25 p.m.
Arizona at San Francisco, 4:25 p.m.
L.A. Rams at Seattle, 4:25 p.m.
Dallas at Houston, 8:20 p.m.
Open: Tampa Bay, Chicago

Monday, Oct. 8
Washington at New Orleans, 8:15 p.m.

COLLEGE FOOTBALL

AP TOP 25

The Top 25 teams in The Associated Press college football poll, with first-place votes in parentheses, records through Sept. 29, total points based on 25 points for a first-place vote through one point for a 25th-place vote, and previous ranking:

	Record	Pts	Pv
1. Alabama (58)	5-0	1497	1
2. Georgia	5-0	1405	2
3. Ohio St. (1)	5-0	1305	4
4. Clemson (1)	5-0	1278	3
5. LSU	5-0	1233	5
6. Notre Dame	**5-0**	**1216**	**8**
7. Oklahoma	5-0	1193	6
8. Auburn	4-1	1002	10
9. West Virginia	4-0	998	12
10. Washington	4-1	978	11
11. Penn St.	4-1	920	9
12. UCF	4-0	759	13
13. Kentucky	5-0	707	17
14. Stanford	4-1	700	7
15. Michigan	**4-1**	**687**	**14**
16. Wisconsin	3-1	642	15
17. Miami	4-1	466	16
18. Oregon	4-1	462	19
19. Texas	4-1	403	18
20. Michigan St.	**3-1**	**281**	**21**
21. Colorado	4-0	225	NR
22. Florida	4-1	210	NR
23. NC State	4-0	118	NR
24. Virginia Tech	3-1	89	NR
25. Oklahoma St.	4-1	88	NR

Others receiving votes: Boise St. 86, South Florida 83, Syracuse 74, Cincinnati 35, Iowa 34, Texas A& M 31, Washington St. 14, TCU 13, California 10, Maryland 10, Missouri 8, Mississippi St. 3, Boston College 2, BYU 3, Arizona St. 2, Appalachian St. 2, Duke 1, Hawaii 1, San Diego St. 1.

NBA

Preseason
Sunday's Games
San Antonio 120, Miami 100
Boston 115, Charlotte 112
Chicago 128, New Orleans 116
Denver 124, L.A. Lakers 107
L.A. Clippers 110, Sydney Kings 91

Monday's Games
New York 124, Washington 121, OT
Philadelphia 120, Orlando 114
Atlanta 116, New Orleans 102
Sacramento at Phoenix

Today's Games
Miami at Charlotte, 7 p.m.
Cleveland at Boston, 8 p.m.
Memphis vs. Houston at Birmingham, Ala., 8 p.m.
Toronto at Utah, 9 p.m.
Denver at L.A. Lakers, 10:30 p.m.

Wednesday's Games
New York at Brooklyn, 7:30 p.m.
Chicago at Milwaukee, 8 p.m.
Detroit at Oklahoma City, 8 p.m.
New Zealand Breakers at Phoenix, 10 p.m.
Minnesota at L.A. Clippers, 10:30 p.m.

NHL

Preseason
Saturday's Games
Edmonton 4, Calgary 3
Philadelphia 4, Boston 1
Detroit 5, Toronto 1
Ottawa 3, Montreal 0
Tampa Bay 3, Florida 2
Chicago 4, Columbus 1
Arizona 4, Vancouver 1
Anaheim 3, Los Angeles 0

Sunday's Games
Nashville 5, Carolina 4, OT
Washington 5, St. Louis 2
Colorado 6, Dallas 5
Vegas 5, San Jose 2

Monday's Game
New Jersey 3, Bern 2, OT

Spartans looking for stronger finishes

By NOAH TRISTER
AP Sports Writer

EAST LANSING — For a third straight game, Michigan State was outscored in the fourth quarter.

If that worries coach Mark Dantonio, he did a pretty good job hiding it.

Dantonio was generally unruffled after the Spartans beat Central Michigan 31-20 on Saturday. It was a reasonably routine win for Michigan State, but the ending left a lot to be desired. The Spartans were outscored 17-0 in the final period.

Michigan State faltered at the end in a loss at Arizona State and nearly did so again when it played at Indiana, but after beating CMU, Dantonio wasn't going to panic over his team's late-game issues.

"I wasn't concerned about focus, I was concerned about Central, personally," Dantonio said.

Still, his team appeared to be dozing when CMU recovered an onside kick with the score 31-10 in the fourth. The Chippewas added 10 more points and started putting some pressure on the Spartans. To its credit, Michigan State moved the ball well enough to use up the final 6:44 after CMU pulled within 11.

Against Arizona State, however, the Spartans were up 13-3 going into the fourth and lost 16-13. They gave up the first 14 points of the fourth against Indiana before holding on for a 35-21 victory .

"I like to say we play with grit, that we somehow find a way," Dantonio said. "We've won a lot of close games here, and we'll come and we'll play. But, we have to play better in certain areas, there's no question about that. We need to roll up our sleeves and get to work."

Michigan State moved up a spot to No. 20 in Sunday's Top 25. The Spartans host Northwestern next weekend. With a 31-3 lead over CMU after three quarters, Michigan State could afford to take its foot of the gas, but the Spartans might not be so fortunate if that happens against a Big Ten opponent.

"I think we just have to finish," safety David Dowell said. "That's a mentality."

Up 31-13 with 12:08 to play, the Spartans put backup quarterback Rocky Lombardi in, a move that symbolized the nonchalance with which Michigan State handled the final quarter. After going three-and-out and allowing a touchdown, the Spartans put starter Brian Lewerke back in, and they didn't give the ball up again.

Al Goldis / AP

Michigan State quarterback Brian Lewerke runs for a touchdown against Central Michigan during the second quarter of Saturday's game.

HIGDON

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Running the ball, though, is what he does best and he no longer is getting the ball exclusively on plays set up between offensive tackles.

"He's really got the ability to run all the assortment of runs," Harbaugh said. "He's not in a category where he can only run outside runs or only run inside. He can do both and he can also pass protect. High level of trust with Karan with every phase, including ball security It allows us to do as much as the offense has."

While Michigan's offense is much improved because of quarterback Shea Patterson, it has been able to move the ball and score because of the balance provided by a Higdon-led running game.

"There's a variety of different threats," he said. "You got the receivers who are showing up, quarterback showing up, running backs showing up. When you have all three phases working together, it's a great thing."

CUBS

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position to win ballgames," Hader said.

Jose Quintana pitched six-hit ball into the sixth inning, but Chicago's bullpen faltered at a key moment. Rizzo, Baez and Daniel Murphy accounted for the Cubs' three hits.

The game was tied at 1 before Milwaukee opened the eighth with three straight hits. Arcia singled on a 0-2 pitch from Justin Wilson (4-5), Domingo Santana had a pinch-hit double and Cain greeted Steve Cishek with a single back up the middle.

After Yelich struck out swinging — a rare occurrence during an extraordinary stretch for the NL MVP favorite — Ryan Braun got the Brewers an insurance run with a run-scoring single to center.

It was more than enough for Milwaukee's vaunted bullpen. Corey Knebel (4-3) extended his scoreless streak to 16 1/3 innings with a perfect seventh, and Hader worked two innings for his 12th save.

Rizzo had one last chance for Chicago, but he flied to right with Baez on second for the final out. When it was over, Hader wrapped his arms around catcher Erik Kratz as the rest of the Brewers poured out of the dugout.

A sizable portion of Milwaukee fans in the crowd of 38,450 chanted "Let's go Brewers! Let's go Brewers!" — a rarity at Wrigley over the past few years.

BEARS

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going to do from the start," Nagy said. "It's something that I've taken with me from what we've done in the past in Philadelphia and in Kansas City."

Nagy coached under Andy Reid with both the Eagles and Chiefs. Reid has a 16-3 record after bye weeks in the regular season.

"Coach Reid has had a hell of a record coming after bye weeks," Nagy said. "It doesn't mean that you win every time coming off of the bye, but there is a method to the madness. And I think the biggest thing with this is that it's OK, you want to give your coaches and your players a breather and you have enough trust in them to understand that they're professionals."

The Bears have injury issues to address and a break could work wonders. They lost backup linebacker Sam Acho for the season on Sunday with a torn pectoral muscle. Cornerbacks Prince Amukamara and Marcus Cooper are recovering from hamstring injuries.

There's also the possibility they could lose defensive end Akiem Hicks to a suspension for bumping an official against Tampa Bay.

LIONS

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It's still fairly early, but dropping to 1-4 would put Detroit in a tough spot heading into its open date.

The Lions have been outscored 59-17 in the third quarter this season. In all three of their defeats, they faced double-digit deficits entering the fourth.

Detroit was down 20-10 after three periods Sunday, but eventually took a 24-23 lead on Matthew Stafford's 38-yard touchdown pass to Golden Tate with 2:17 remaining.

Detroit's defense couldn't hold. Dallas drove into field goal range and made the winning kick on the game's final play.

"I think when you play in those types of games where you're kind of relying on last possession or it's coming down to the end when there's really no control in the game, I would say you're kind of holding your breath," Patricia said.

"These are extremely good teams on both sides of the ball and good offenses that you have to face for us as an opponent. We obviously have an offense that can do a good job there at the end of the game of coming back but you don't want to be in that position."

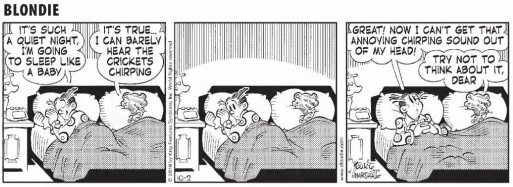
The Lions struggled to contain Ezekiel Elliott, who ran for 152 yards on 25 carries and had four catches for 88 yards and a touchdown.

Meanwhile, Detroit couldn't build on its encouraging rushing performance against the Patriots. Rookie Kerryon Johnson ran for 55 yards and a touchdown against Dallas, but he had only nine carries.

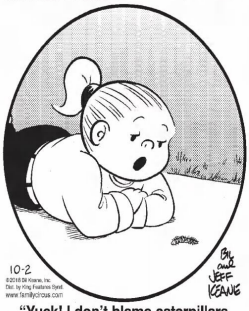
"I think we have a lot of really good running backs and I think we try to use them appropriately. I think Kerryon played a significant amount of the game," Patricia said.

BEETLE BLEY

BLONDIE

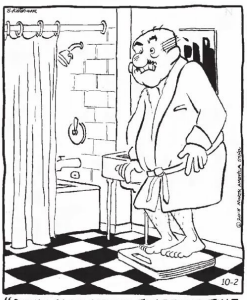

IT'S SUCH A QUIET NIGHT, I'M GOING TO SLEEP LIKE A BABY
IT'S TRUE... I CAN BARELY HEAR THE CRICKETS CHIRPING
GREAT! NOW I CAN'T GET THAT ANNOYING CHIRPING SOUND OUT OF MY HEAD!
TRY NOT TO THINK ABOUT IT, DEAR

THE FAMILY CIRCUS By Bil Keane



"Yuck! I don't blame caterpillars for turnin' into butterflies."

DENNIS THE MENACE



"DON'T CLOG UP THE TOILET THIS TIME, MR. WILSON... I'M NEXT IN LINE!"

HI & LOIS

BABY BLUES

HAMMIE, DID YOU JUST USE THE BATHROOM?
YEAH.
DID YOU WASH YOUR HANDS?
THAT'S FUNNY, BECAUSE I DIDN'T HEAR ANY WATER RUNNING.
UM, SURE.
OH.
I GUESS YOU LEARNED A LESSON.
YEAH. ALWAYS RUN THE WATER BEFORE LEAVING THE BATHROOM.

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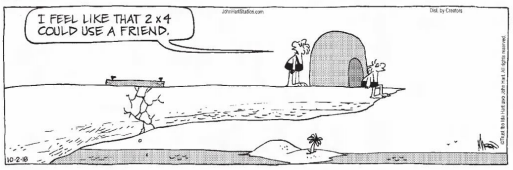


CURTIS

I SUPPOSE YOU HAVE A GOOD REASON FOR NOT HAVING YOUR HOMEWORK, MR. WILKINS.
Y-YES, MRS. NELSON! UM, A SINGLE, VERY HANDSOME MAN MOVED IN NEXT DOOR LAST NIGHT
AND GUESS WHAT HE TURNED OUT TO BE...
I NEVER WOULD HAVE GUESSED SHE WAS A FAN OF THE MOVIE "FRIGHT NIGHT"!
PRINCIPAL'S OFFICE

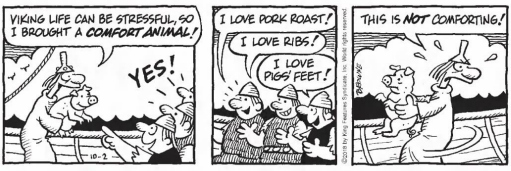
WIZARD OF ID

ZITS

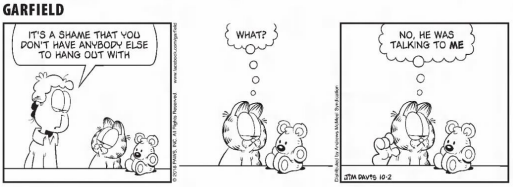
HI, JEREMY. WELCOME TO OUR RESTAURANT.
THANKS.
YOUR FATHER HAS TOLD ME SO MUCH ABOUT YOU.
I WAS HALF-EXPECTING YOU TO SHOW UP IN PAJAMAS.
YEAH. ORTHODONTISTS ARE HILARIOUS LIKE THAT.
Serf's Up! A MEDIEVAL EATERY

DILBERT

HAGAR THE HORRIBLE


VIKING LIFE CAN BE STRESSFUL, SO I BROUGHT A COMFORT ANIMAL!
YES!
I LOVE PORK ROAST!
I LOVE RIBS!
I LOVE PIGS' FEET!
THIS IS NOT COMFORTING!

GARFIELD



MOTHER GOOSE & GRIMM

FORT KNOX

MY MOM GAVE ALL HER MONEY TO A NIGERIAN PRINCE.
I'M NOT SURPRISED.
SPAM
PONZI SCHEME
WELL, SHE'S GOING TO TRY TO GET IT BACK.
HOW? IT'S THE OLDEST TRICK IN THE BOOK.
SHELL GAME
BAIT & SWITCH
BY USING BAIT TO TRAP HIM.
WHAT TYPE OF BAIT?
PORTION-SIZE
GO PHISH
YOUR CREDIT CARD'S!
MASTER CARD

MUTTS

PICKLES

JUST SO YOU KNOW, EARL, MY BOOK CLUB IS MEETING HERE TONIGHT.
GREAT! I'VE BEEN WORKING ON THE ENTERTAINMENT.
I THINK I CAN JUGGLE UP TO 5 ROMANCE NOVELS WITHOUT ANY OF THEM FALLING ON ANYONE'S HEAD LIKE LAST TIME.
HELLO, BETTY. CAN WE MOVE THE MEETING TO YOUR PLACE? WE HAVE A PEST PROBLEM HERE.

SALLY FORTH

JACKIE, I'M CALLING TO INVITE YOU, MOM AND THE FAMILY OVER TO OUR PLACE FOR THANKSGIVING.
NOT THIS YEAR!
IT'S ABOUT TIME I DO THE HOLIDAYS! SERIOUSLY, I'M ADULTING LIKE A LUNATIC NOW, AND I WANT YOU, TED AND HIL TO COME TO OUR PLACE FOR ONCE!
MOM WON'T MIND HAVING EVERYONE OVER?
TRUST ME, AFTER A BOTTLE OR TWO OF WINE AND REALIZING YOU'RE ALREADY THERE, SHE'LL HAPPILY WATCH AS WE POLITELY SMILE OUR WAY THROUGH THAT, UH, DESSERT OF HERS.
KEEFE

Prime Time TV

TUESDAY EVENING OCT. 2

	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30
ABC (7) (13) (41) (57)	Wheel of Fortune	Dancing With the Stars "Las Vegas Night" (N) (L) ᴴᴰ				:01 A Million Little Things "pilot" ᴴᴰ	
CBS (2) (3) (22)	Ent. Tonight	NCIS "Love Thy Neighbor" (N) ᴴᴰ		FBI Eight people are poisoned at a deli.		NCIS: New Orleans "Inside Out" (N)	
NBC (5) (8) (16)	Access (N) ᴴᴰ	The Voice "The Blind Auditions, Part 4" (N)		This Is Us "A Philadelphia Story" (N)		:01 New Amsterdam "Rituals" (N)	
FOX (17) (22) (28) (32)	Modern Family	The Gifted "unMoored" (N)		Lethal Weapon "Need to Know" (N)		Fox 17 News at 10:00PM (N) ᴴᴰ	
PBS (34)	Steves' Europe	The Great American Read (N) ᴴᴰ		Frontline "Trump's Showdown" Trump opposes campaign investigation. (N) ᴴᴰ			
CW (25)	Big Bang Theory	The Flash "We Are the Flash" ᴴᴰ		The Outpost Talon faces Dred. ᴴᴰ		News	Seinfeld ᴴᴰ
MNT (50)	Modern Family	The Flash "We Are the Flash" ᴴᴰ		The Outpost Talon faces Dred. ᴴᴰ		Chicago P.D. "Chin Check" ᴴᴰ	
WCIU (26)	Mike & Molly	ABC7 Eyewitness News on WCIU		Funny You Ask	Be a Millionaire	2 Broke Girls	2 Broke Girls
WHME (46)	Who's the Boss?	Heartland "There But for Fortune"		Mad Ab't You	Mad Ab't You	Just Shoot Me	Just Shoot Me
WGN (9)	News	blackish ᴴᴰ	blackish ᴴᴰ	Last Man Standing	Last Man Standing	WGN News at Nine (N) (L) ᴴᴰ	
A&E	:00 The First 48	The First 48 "Deadly Premonition" ᴴᴰ		The First 48 "Fatal Mistake" ᴴᴰ		:01 The First 48 ᴴᴰ	
AMC	:22 The Walking Dead ᴴᴰ		:23 The Walking Dead "Chupacabra"		:24 The Walking Dead "Secrets"		Walking Dead
Animal	Lone Star	Yukon Men ᴴᴰ		Yukon Men ᴴᴰ		Yukon Men ᴴᴰ	
BET	The Players Club		:35 ★ ★★★ Hustle & Flow (05) Terrence Howard.				
Big Ten	Football	BTN Football in 60		B1G Football		Campus	Big Ten
Bravo	:00 Below Deck	Below Deck ᴴᴰ		Below Deck ((SP)) (N) ᴴᴰ		Flipping Out "All That Glitters" (N)	
Cartoon	Total	Gumball	Gumball	American	American	Burgers	Burgers
Cinemax	6:25 Snatched	★ ★★ Dinner for Schmucks (10, Comedy) Steve Carell, Paul Rudd. ᴴᴰ				9:55 ★ ★★ Three Fugitives ('89)	
CMT	Last Man	Last Man	Last Man	★ ★★★ Lethal Weapon ('87) ᴴᴰ			
CNBC	Shark	Shark Tank ᴴᴰ		Shark Tank ᴴᴰ		Shark Tank	
CNN	OutFront	Anderson Cooper		Cuomo Prime Time		CNN Tonight	
Comedy	Office	Tosh.0	Tosh.0	Tosh.0	Tosh.0	Tosh.0	Jefferies
Discovery	Rat Rods	Vegas Rat Rods: Supercharged (N)		Vegas Rat Rods "Race and Reveal"		Trans Am Scott restores a 1978 Bandit.	
Disney	Bunk'd	Raven	Raven	Stuck	Stuck	Bunk'd	Bunk'd
DIY	Holmes	Holmes & Holmes		Holmes & Holmes		Holmes & Holmes	
E!	E! News	★ ★★★ The Other Guys ('10) Will Ferrell, ᴴᴰ					Talladega
ESPN	Baseball	MLB Baseball National League Wild Card: Teams TBA. (N) (L)					
ESPN2	NFL Live	MLB Baseball (N) (L)					
ESPNC	:00 College Football ᴴᴰ			College Football From Nov. 4, 2000. ᴴᴰ			
Food	Chopped	Chopped ᴴᴰ		Chopped (N) ᴴᴰ		Chopped ᴴᴰ	
Fox News	The Story	Tucker Carlson		Hannity (N) ᴴᴰ		The Ingraham Angle	
Fox Sports	Tennis	College Football Central Michigan at Michigan State.					
Freeform	6:30 ★ ★★ Hocus Pocus ('93) ᴴᴰ		★ ★★★ Monsters University ('13, Children's) Voices of Billy Crystal, John Goodman. ᴴᴰ				
FX	:00 ★ ★★★ The Avengers ('12, Action) Robert Downey Jr., Chris Evans, Mark Ruffalo. ᴴᴰ					Mayans M.C. "Uch/Opossum" (N) ᴴᴰ	
Golf	Golf	Famous Five ᴴᴰ		Driver vs. Driver (N) ᴴᴰ			Driver
Hallmark	Taste Romance	★ Love Struck Café ('17) Sarah Jane Morris, Andrew Walker, Garry Chalk. ᴴᴰ				Golden Girls	Golden Girls
HBO	VICE News	★ ★★★ American Made ('17, Comedy-Drama) Tom Cruise, Domhall Gleeson. ᴴᴰ				Student Athlete (N) ᴴᴰ	
History	Pickers	American Pickers		American Pickers (N)		:03 American Pickers	
HGTV	Fixer	Fixer Upper ᴴᴰ		Desert	Desert	Hunters	Hunt Intl
Learning	Out	Outdaughtered The Busbys head to Hawaii.				Sextuplets	
Lifetime	Married-Sight	Married-Sight	Married-Sight	Married at First Sight Family and friends provide guidance. (N)			Sons, Pregnant
MSNBC	Hardball	All In With Chris		Rachel Maddow		The Last Word	
MTV	Jersey	Jersey Shore		The Challenge (N)		Ridic.	Ridic.
NBCSCH	Sports	College Football Stanford at Notre Dame.				Inside	Point
NFL	NFL Total	NFL Football Teams TBA. (Taped) ᴴᴰ					
Nick	Henry	Frankie	Sponge.	Sponge.	Sponge.	Friends	Friends
NGEO	Life Be	Life Below Zero (N)		Life Below Zero (N)		Running Wild	
Oxygen	:00 Chicago P.D.	Chicago P.D. "Don't Bury This Case"		Chicago P.D. "Don't Read the News"		Chicago P.D. "You Wish" ᴴᴰ (DVS)	
Parmt	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Ink Master (N) ᴴᴰ	
Showtime	6:00 Chef ('14)	Shameless "Do Right, Vote White!"		Inside the NFL (N) ᴴᴰ		Kidding ᴴᴰ	Circus-Wildest
Starz	:00 ★ ★★ The Edge ('97) Anthony Hopkins. ᴴᴰ			Warriors of Liberty City ᴴᴰ		America to Me "Listen to the Poem"	
STZENC	:35 ★ ★★ An American Haunting ('05, Horror) ᴴᴰ			★ ★★★ Easy A ('10) Emma Stone, Penn Badgley. ᴴᴰ			Road House
SyFy	Incredible Hulk	★ ★★★ Iron Man 3 ('13) Robert Downey Jr., Gwyneth Paltrow. A powerful enemy tests Tony Stark's true mettle. ᴴᴰ (DVS)					
TBS	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Wrecked (N)	Wrecked
TCM	Age Inno	★ ★★★ You'll Never Get Rich ('41) Fred Astaire. ᴴᴰ			:45 ★ ★★★ You Were Never Lovelier ('42) ᴴᴰ		
TMC	Jasper Jones	★ ★★★ Walking Out ('17) Matt Bomer, Josh Wiggins. ᴴᴰ			:40 ★ ★★★ A River Runs Through It ('92) Craig Sheffer.		
TNT	Wrecked	NBA Preseason Basketball: Cavaliers at Celtics					Basket
Travel	Expedi	Expedition Unknown		Expedition Unknown		Expedition Unkn.	
TV Land	M*A*S*H	Raymond	Raymond	Gold	Gold	Two Men	Two Men
USA	Modern Family	WWE SmackDown! (N) (L) ᴴᴰ				The Purge Catalina warns Jenna. (N)	
VH1	Mackies	Love & Hip Hop		Love & Hip Hop		Love & Hip Hop	
WGN-A	M*A*S*H ᴴᴰ	M*A*S*H ᴴᴰ	M*A*S*H ᴴᴰ	M*A*S*H ᴴᴰ	M*A*S*H ᴴᴰ	Carter "Happy Campers" (N) ᴴᴰ	

Guilty dad spends extra time with once-estranged daughter

DEAR ABBY: My older sister, "Lily," is in a biracial marriage and has a son. Our dad never approved. He gave her an ultimatum when she first met "Rodney": Choose between him or our family. She chose Rodney.

After 30 years of Dad not speaking to her and influencing us siblings to feel the same way, our mother died and Dad rekindled his relationship with Lily. He's 82 now, and he puts her and her family first. He spends a lot of money on them and spends a lot of time with her and her son.

The rest of us feel so much resentment. I realize he's making up for lost time and feels guilty. But it's sickening when we remember how he pushed us to feel the way he did back then and now expects us to do an emotional 180. We are OK with being with our sister and her family. It's Dad we're having the problem with. How do we move on? – Upset In The East

DEAR UPSET: I wish you had mentioned what caused your father's change of heart because it would have been a valuable lesson for a lot of readers. He did a disservice to *all* of you by teaching hate rather than love and acceptance. Now you have decades of lost time to make up for.

Anger, resentment and bigotry serve no one well. Your father recognizes the mistake he made by shunning his daughter and her family, and he's trying to make up for it. As I write this, I'm reminded of a line from the "Peace Prayer of St. Francis": "Where there is hatred, let me sow love." Good for your father! The way for you to move on would be to recognize it's time to forgive him for the damage he caused your family because, if you don't, you and your siblings will perpetuate it.

Jeanne Phillips

Dear Abby

DEAR ABBY: I have worked for my husband, "Ben," in a small firm for 20 years, but members of my family still think I don't have a "real" job. I did it so I'd have flexibility in taking care of our children, participating in PTA and other school activities, and be involved in the community. This benefits us not only as a family but also Ben's business.

I work a 40-plus-hour week, just not necessarily 9 to 5. So why does my family think they can call me at work, especially on my cell, for non-work-related issues? They wouldn't call their friends or children at work, so why, despite my asking them *repeatedly* not to, do they still call, or worse, drop in? How can I make them stop bothering me? – At Work

DEAR AT WORK: Because you have asked your relatives not to call between certain hours, screen your calls before answering your phone. When they ask why you didn't pick up, repeat the message that you were working and please not to call you at that time. If they drop in, quit being so available. Repeat that they have come at a time that's inconvenient, and give them a time when you can socialize.

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Son reacts to news his dad is not his biological father by sweeping it under the rug

Adapted from a recent online discussion.

DEAR CAROLYN: I have been married to my husband for more than 30 years. We have a 30-year-old son who is not the biological offspring of my husband.

My husband has been aware of this since before my son's birth.

When my son finished college, my husband and I told him this. We advised that we were willing to answer any questions and that if he was interested, his biological father was willing to meet him, or answer questions, etc.

My son was upset and has never mentioned it again.

It's been 10 years now, and I am wondering, is this normal? Do I have any other responsibilities? – DNA and Denial

DEAR DENIAL: No, you have no other responsibilities.

Is it normal? Certainly seems within the range – some people just don't want to talk about stuff.

There's a tendency I think to pathologize this, but as long as a person is functioning well on the sleeping-dog plan, I don't see any reason anyone should start waking stuff up. He knows, so, it's up to him now.

DEAR CAROLYN: My 25-year-old daughter has been really good friends with a 65-year-old man through a shared hobby. He is not your average 65-year-old – he is somewhat ageless.

He is also extremely respectful and accepting of all people. My daughter is also not like others her age. She relates to older people well and always has.

Carolyn Hax

Recently, their relationship has veered toward the romantic, somewhat to their dismay. They both accept this has many drawbacks and may not end well.

They would hate to lose their friendship over this. When she told me, I was very supportive because of what I see between the two of them. My husband is sort of OK with it, too.

I would like your take on this, though I am afraid to ask since you have not met either of them. – Anonymous

DEAR ANONYMOUS: Two adults? Love is love.

I am sorry to hear you were afraid to ask. I haven't bitten anyone in months.

DEAR CAROLYN: After years of infertility and two miscarriages, I just found out I'm pregnant again.

I feel numb, like I shouldn't get excited because I might jinx myself. I'm also nervous.

How do I stay the course until I can have an ultrasound and get a better sense of whether this pregnancy will stick? – Nervous

DEAR NERVOUS: You just get there however you can get there – watch good movies and TV or read books to distract you, cook or go out for healthy things to feed you, talk to laid-back people to calm and support you. If weather permits, get outside somewhere beautiful.

Fingers crossed.

REGARDING PREGNANCY: A common saying on pregnancy and loss boards is, "Today I am pregnant."

Make that your mantra. It could help keep you in the moment rather than obsessing about future what-ifs. – In the Moment

DEAR IN THE MOMENT: Thank you. A few people wrote in to suggest this, which reminds me of how established and strong the support resources are for people dealing with infertility.

Resolve.org is a good place to start.

Email Carolyn Hax at tellme@washpost.com, follow her on Facebook at www.facebook.com/carolyn.hax or chat with her online at noon each Friday at www.washingtonpost.com.

Crossword

ACROSS

1 Cookware item
4 Boss, briefly
7 — and hearty
11 Prince Val's son
12 Dry as dust
14 Poet's black
15 Get the picture
16 Berra of baseball
17 Strauss of denim fame
18 Sham
20 Reproved
22 Leader of the flock
23 Sigma follower
24 Try for a job
27 Grew wheat
30 Turns right
31 November word
32 Enthusiasm
34 Hosp. areas
35 Grimace
36 Swain
37 Soft sweater
39 Earth
40 Circle part
41 Whitney invention
42 South Seas paradise
45 Andes ruminants
49 Caspian Sea tributary
50 Well-groomed
52 Chips go-with
53 Azure
54 Peer at
55 Mexican Mrs.
56 Realty sign
57 Rainbow band
58 Letter for plurals

DOWN

1 Stinger
2 Blast-furnace inputs
3 Leg joint
4 Spring festival (2 wds.)
5 Horse handler
6 Equip
7 Gaseous element
8 Sleeping
9 Zero, on the court
10 Writer — Bagnold
13 Use a steno
19 WWW addresses
21 Rabbit kin
24 ID info
25 Salon offering
26 Pancho Villa's coin
27 Two couples
28 Hardly —
29 Dashboard item
31 Making known
33 Flood residue
35 Trading center
36 — fide
38 Flagged down
39 Drooped
41 Shiny coating
42 Popcorn buys
43 Woody's son
44 Pull along
46 Consumer gds.
47 Opens the window
48 Massage locales
51 Listener's need

Answer to Previous Puzzle

C	A	D		K	E	P	I		L	C	D	
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P	L	E	A		N	A	D	A		C	N	N
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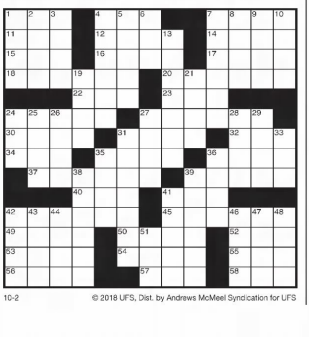

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Jumble

Unscramble these Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

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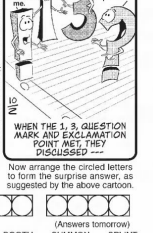
WHONS

DAANSL

SUDJTA


Going first isn't all that great. They say third time's a charm. Sometimes people just overuse me. I've got a question. WHEN THE 1, 3, QUESTION MARK AND EXCLAMATION POINT MET, THEY DISCUSSED ---

Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

(Answers tomorrow)

Yesterday's Jumbles: HEFTY BOOTH SUMMON SPLINT
Answer: They needed to replace the furnace because the one they had was -- NOT SO HOT

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Kakuro

How to play: Numbers above the slash are across clues; numbers below the slash are down clues. The goal is to enter digits 1-9 in the white cells to add up to the number clues. You cannot use any digit more than once when adding up to a clue.

Answer to previous puzzle

4	1	9	2	3	1	5	9	7
1	2	3	4	1	7	8	4	9
2	4	6	1	8	3	5	7	2
9	5	3	1	2	4	6	7	8
7	8	1	3	2	4	9	5	6
6	3	2	5	3	1	9	8	4
3	6	4	2	1	5	7	9	8
8	9	7	6	4	2	3	1	5
5	7	8	9	5	6	4	2	1

Difficulty Level ★★ 10/02

Bridge

Jorge Posada, a longtime catcher for the New York Yankees, said of arguably the best-ever closer: "There will never be another Mariano Rivera. He was a friend and a champion of a teammate."

It helps at the bridge table if you have good teammates ... as one pair did on this board from the World Youth Team Championships, played two months ago in China.

First, though, look only at the North hand. With your side vulnerable, East opens three diamonds. After two passes, what would you do?

With 17 high-card points, you can hardly pass. To double with only two hearts is dangerous. To overcall three no-trump is unappealing with that inflexible diamond holding. Still, three no-trump would be the choice of most players, and was for Colin Deheeger of the French junior (under 26) team.

West doubled for penalty. That would have gone down 1,100 or 1,400, but South ran to four hearts. West doubled even more happily. After the dust had settled, South was down six, minus 1,700.

When the team scored up at the end of the session, and this board was reached, North-South said, "Sorry, minus 1,700."

Their teammates replied, "Win 15!"

How?

Baptiste Combescure (East) had opened four diamonds! After two passes, North understandably doubled. South advanced with four hearts, doubled by Julien Bernard (West). Now North chose to make an SOS redouble, asking his partner to pick a black suit. However, South did not have one, so he passed. Four hearts redoubled cost 2,800!

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North
♠ A 9 3 2
♥ K 7
♦ Q J 2
♣ A Q J 6

West
♠ K Q 10 8
♥ A J 10 8 5
♦ K 7
♣ 10 9

East
♠ 5 4
♥ 9
♦ A 10 9 8 6 3
♣ K 8 7 3

South
♠ J 7 6
♥ Q 8 4 3 2
♦ 5 4
♣ 5 4 2

Dealer: East
Vulnerable: North-South

South	West	North	East
Pass	Pass	??	3♦

Opening lead: ♦ K

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Sudoku

DIFFICULTY RATING: ★☆☆☆☆

			3	2	5	7		
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3			4	6			2	
				4		1	9	
	4	1	2	9	8	7	5	
	7	3		1				
	6			8	1			5
8	1	9	6		3		4	
	3	5	9	2				

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How to play: Complete the grid so that every row, column and 3x3 box contains every digit from 1 to 9.

PREVIOUS SOLUTION

5	3	9	1	7	4	2	8	6
1	2	8	5	9	6	4	3	7
6	4	7	3	8	2	5	1	9
2	6	4	7	3	9	1	5	8
8	1	3	2	6	5	9	7	4
9	7	5	4	1	8	3	6	2
4	9	1	6	5	7	8	2	3
3	8	6	9	2	1	7	4	5
7	5	2	8	4	3	6	9	1

Trump touts deal to replace NAFTA

Upton, Longjohn weigh in on topic

By DON LEE and JIM PUZZANGHERA
Los Angeles Times

WASHINGTON — President Donald Trump on Monday lauded the new trade deal with Canada and Mexico as the most important ever for the U.S. and "a historic win" for American farmers, manufacturers and auto workers.

"Once approved by Congress, this new deal will be the most modern, up-to-date and balanced trade agreement in the history of our country, with the most advanced protections for workers ever developed," Trump said during a news conference at the White House, flanked by top administration officials.

U.S. negotiators and their Canadian counterparts came to terms on a deal late Sunday, beating a midnight procedural deadline to try to save the North American Free Trade Agreement.

Trump has blasted NAFTA, which took effect in 1994, as a horrible trade deal – "perhaps the worst trade deal ever made," he repeated on Monday – and renegotiating it was a pillar of his 2016 campaign.

Trump said Monday was a new day for trade relations among the three North American nations, a point he highlighted by declaring that the acronym NAFTA was dead. The new deal will be called the U.S.-Mexico-Canada Agreement, or USMCA.

"USMCA. Has a good ring to it," he said.

Trump noted that the agreement covers $1.2 trillion in annual trade.

U.S. Rep. Fred Upton, R-St. Joseph, said it was important to include Canada as part of the discussions. With negotiations wrapped up, Upton said it's time to come to an agreement to end tariffs on Canadian and Mexican steel and aluminum.

"I've spoken with many different local employers and workers in recent months about what a solid trade agreement means and we do need some time to see what the specific effect will be on jobs here," Upton said in an email to The Herald-Palladium. "The issue will ultimately be decided by the current Congress."

Matt Longjohn, Upton's Democratic challenger, said workers have been left behind by unfair trade agreements that Congress has supported.

"It's not clear whether they will get any better deal now," Longjohn told The HP in an email. "I will be specifically reviewing the details of this proposal to see if there's any substantive relief for workers left behind by the NAFTA agreement that Upton supported, as well as for farmers being squeezed by the administration's trade wars."

Despite the Sunday breakthrough that added Canada to a renegotiated agreement the U.S. and Mexico already had struck, the pact does not resolve all the trade tensions among the three nations.

Trump said Monday that tariffs the U.S. has placed on steel and aluminum imports from Canada and Mexico will remain in place "until such time as we can do something different," such as quotas, "so that our industry is protected."

Administration officials said the new deal revised rules on auto manufacturing and worker rights, as well as added updated or new provisions on digital trade, financial services and other areas of commerce that were not major factors when the pact was ratified under the Clinton administration.

Auto rules were a key part of the deal. NAFTA currently requires that 62.5 percent of the content of cars be produced in North America to qualify for tariff-free trade among the three nations.

U.S. Trade Representative Robert Lighthizer had sought to raise that threshold to 80 percent and establish a new requirement that 50 percent of the vehicle's contents be sourced in the United States for zero-tariff treatment. Those moves were intended to curb offshoring to Mexico and increase auto investment and production in the United States.

In the end, the parties settled on raising the North American rule of origin for autos to 75 percent. And they agreed to a novel scheme that 40 percent to 45 percent of the content of cars must be produced by workers making at least $16 an hour, which Trump officials hope will shift more production and jobs to the U.S.

"We are requiring a large portion of every car to be made by high-wage workers, which will greatly reduce foreign outsourcing, which was a tremendous problem, and means more auto parts and automobiles will be manufactured inside the United States," Trump said Monday. "We will be manufacturing many more cars."

Herald-Palladium Staff Writer Tony Wittkowski contributed to this story.

Christian TV network enters the world of 24-hour news

VIRGINIA BEACH, Va. (AP) — A Christian TV network is entering the crowded world of 24-hour news broadcasting at a time when the mainstream news media is under increasing attack by President Donald Trump and some of his supporters, many of them evangelicals.

The Christian Broadcasting Network's news channel will provide a religious perspective that other channels lack, CEO Gordon Robertson told The Associated Press in an interview in advance of the network's formal launch Monday.

The CBN News Channel, to air on local television stations in 15 U.S. cities, will produce original programming and commentary on everything from the power of prayer to Justin Bieber's faith and Christian persecution in the Middle East, Robertson said last week.

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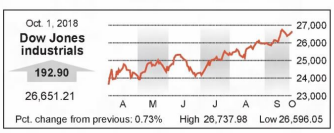

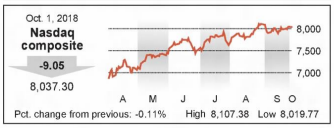

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AEP	AEP	62.71	78.07	70.90	+.02	...	▬	▼	▬
Apple Inc	AAPL	150.24	229.67	227.26	+1.52	+0.7	▲	▼	▲
AutoZone	AZO	560.82	797.89	770.35	-5.35	-0.7	▼	▲	▼
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CocaCola	KO	41.45	48.62	46.23	+.04	+0.1	▲	▲	▲
Comcast s	CMCSA	30.43	44.00	35.52	+.11	+0.3	▲	▼	▲
Deere	DE	125.08	175.26	150.86	+.53	+0.4	▲	▲	▲
Disney	DIS	96.80	117.90	116.24	-.70	-0.6	▼	▲	▼
DollarTree	DLTR	79.17	116.65	82.22	+.67	+0.8	▲	▲	▲
ExxonMbl	XOM	72.16	89.30	85.81	+.79	+0.9	▲	▲	▲
FifthThird	FITB	27.38	34.67	27.80	-.12	-0.4	▼	▼	▼
1stSource	SRCE	47.16	59.33	51.63	-.99	-1.9	▼	▼	▼
FordM	F	9.09	13.48	9.32	+.07	+0.8	▲	▼	▲
GenElec	GE	11.21	24.89	12.09	+.80	+7.1	▲	▼	▲
HomeDp	HD	160.53	215.43	207.60	+.45	+0.2	▲	▲	▲
HorizBcp s	HBNC	17.07	22.13	19.24	-.51	-2.6	▼	▼	▼
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IDEX	IEX	120.93	157.84	151.11	+.45	+0.3	▲	▼	▲
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McDnlds	MCD	146.84	178.70	166.67	-.62	-0.4	▼	▲	▼
Microsoft	MSFT	73.71	115.29	115.61	+1.24	+1.1	▲	▲	▲
MillerHer	MLHR	29.95	41.85	36.96	-1.44	-3.8	▼	▼	▼
Penney	JCP	1.55	4.75	1.70	+.04	+2.4	▲	▼	▲
Perrigo	PRGO	67.53	95.93	71.04	+.24	+0.3	▲	▼	▲
Pfizer	PFE	33.20	44.46	44.27	+.20	+0.5	▲	▲	▲
ProctGam	PG	70.73	93.51	83.67	+.44	+0.5	▲	▲	▲
RepubSvc	RSG	60.26	75.82	72.50	-.16	-0.2	▼	▼	▼
SearsHldgs	SHLD	0.82	7.54	.81	-.16	-16.3	▼	▼	▼
Steelcse	SCS	13.10	19.35	17.88	-.62	-3.4	▼	▲	▼
Stryker	SYK	141.68	179.84	178.65	+.97	+0.5	▲	▲	▲
Target	TGT	54.04	90.39	88.47	+.26	+0.3	▲	▲	▲
TractSupp	TSCO	54.76	92.45	90.30	-.58	-0.6	▼	▲	▼
UPS B	UPS	101.45	135.53	117.46	+.71	+0.6	▲	▼	▲
VerizonCm	VZ	43.97	55.42	53.84	+.45	+0.8	▲	▼	▲
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WalMart	WMT	77.50	109.98	94.40	+.49	+0.5	▲	▼	▲
WalgBoots	WBA	59.07	80.68	72.46	-.44	-0.6	▼	▲	▼
Wendys Co	WEN	13.57	18.68	17.08	-.06	-0.4	▼	▼	▼
Whirlpl	WHR	118.35	190.73	118.59	-.16	-0.1	▼	▼	▼
Worthgtn	WOR	39.52	49.93	43.80	+.44	+1.0	▲	▼	▲
XPO Logis	XPO	63.26	116.27	113.27	-.90	-0.8	▼	▲	▼

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President Donald Trump, left, and Texas State Sen. Dawn Buckingham, right, listen as Administrator of the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services Seema Verma speaks during a meeting on women in healthcare in the Roosevelt Room of the White House in Washington last year. Medicare is modernizing its website to make it more useful for beneficiaries, particularly younger ones already going online for information from insurers, hospitals and doctors.

Medicare upgrades website ahead of sign-up season

WASHINGTON (AP) — Approaching annual sign-up season, Medicare is modernizing its website to make it more useful for beneficiaries already accustomed to searching online for insurers, hospitals and doctors, officials announced on Monday.

But some consumer advocates said the changes reflect a subtle bias toward private plans on the part of the Trump administration.

Medicare Administrator Seema Verma said new features include a five-point questionnaire to help seniors decide between original, government-run Medicare and private plans offered under Medicare Advantage, an online calculator to help estimate out-of-pocket costs, a web-chat option and a simplified login. All are part of a continuing project to upgrade Medicare's online presence.

The annual open enrollment for Medicare Advantage and Medicare prescription plans starts Oct. 15 and runs through Dec. 7. That's a time to shop for new plans or switch coverage. Beneficiaries sign up initially when they turn 65 and become eligible for Medicare.

"We always felt it's important that every American we serve have a good customer experience," Verma said. But some consumer groups said the new online features seem to portray Medicare Advantage plans more favorably than original Medicare.

More than 21 million beneficiaries – about 36 percent – are already in private Medicare Advantage plans, a growing share of the program. In exchange for limits on choice of doctors and hospitals, the private plans can offer lower out-of-pocket costs and added benefits. This year, some plans will start providing limited assistance to help keep frail seniors safe in their own homes instead of nursing homes.

Attorney David Lipschutz of the nonpartisan Center for Medicare Advocacy said that based on an initial review of the new online features, "it does appear that Medicare Advantage continues to be painted in a light most favorable." The center is a nonprofit legal organization that acts as a watchdog over the program and represents individual beneficiaries with consumer complaints.

Lipschutz pointed to the new five-point online questionnaire as potentially problematic. He said it overlooks some of the limitations of Medicare Advantage as well as reasons why seniors would want original Medicare.

Original Medicare has gaps in coverage and many beneficiaries buy supplemental "Medigap" polices to cover those, along with a private "Part D" prescription plan. For people in poor health, original Medicare preserves the broadest choice of hospitals and doctors. Coupled with a Medigap policy and a prescription plan, it can result in lower out-of-pocket costs for some people dealing with serious health conditions.

Those variables can go beyond the capacity of a quick online questionnaire.

Medicare Administrator Verma said the government is not trying to put its thumb on the scale. "We are not steering any Medicare beneficiary anywhere," she said.

Medicare has had long tug-of-war over whether the program should be run entirely by the government or administered by private insurers. Republicans tend to favor privatization, while Democrats prefer government administration.

Drugmaker Pfizer's CEO Read to be replaced by COO Bourla

TRENTON, N.J. (AP) — The biggest U.S.-based drugmaker will change leaders in January when Pfizer Chief Operating Officer Albert Bourla replaces CEO Ian Read, who has led the company for nearly eight years.

Pfizer Inc. said Monday that Read will become executive chairman of Pfizer's board of directors.

The move comes after Pfizer's board in March gave Read an $8 million bonus contingent on boosting Pfizer's stock price and staying on for up to a year. That allowed Read time to groom Bourla, who had been appointed last January to the newly created chief operating officer post.

The maker of Viagra and the advanced breast cancer drug Ibrance has been dealing for several years with declining revenue as patents expired and generic competition began for a series of big-selling drugs, as have many other drugmakers. For Pfizer, those drugs include Viagra, blood pressure pill Norvasc and high-cholesterol pill Lipitor, which had reigned as the world's top-selling drug for nearly a decade.

The success of Ibrance, other recent cancer drugs and pneumococcal vaccine Prevnar 13 have revenue growing again, and Pfizer shares have risen about 22 percent so far this year.

Read, who started working at Pfizer in 1978 as an auditor, spent much of his tenure as CEO trying to pull off mega-acquisitions, the strategy that had enabled Pfizer to leapfrog to the top among U.S. drugmakers. But Read failed on deals to acquire first Allergan and then AstraZeneca, primarily to be able to move Pfizer's headquarters – just on paper – to lower-tax countries in Europe.

The New York company said in July that it was again reshaping its business, this time into three units: Innovative Medicines; Established Medicines, which handles older drugs that have lost protection; and Consumer Healthcare. It said Innovative Medicines will bring in most of the company's revenue and has strong growth potential, due partially to an aging population that will create growing demand for new medicines.

A couple of weeks after announcing the business reorganization, Pfizer reported a second-quarter profit that surged 26 percent in a performance that beat Wall Street expectations.

But Pfizer drew the ire of President Donald Trump in early July when it announced price hikes for about 40 of its drugs – shortly after Trump promised without any grounds that drug companies would be announcing "massive" voluntary price cuts by mid-June. Those cuts never came and most drugmakers have continued to hike prices, but Trump publicly shamed Pfizer on Twitter for its increases, leading the company to reverse them, but only until January at the latest.

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TUESDAY, OCTOBER 2

Mixed emotions will lead to greater confusion. Be clear about your wants and expectations. Put more energy into everything you do in order to avoid criticism. Personal gains will depend upon your passion and drive.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Take a moment to collect your thoughts and consider the best way to handle anyone putting demands on you. Don't leave anything unfinished. Accomplishment will help deter complaints.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) If you open up about your feelings, you will be offered valuable information that could change your life. Be receptive and try something new.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Don't share secrets or give anyone access to your passwords. Someone you encounter will not be as trustworthy as you think. Put more effort into your profession or a moneymaking venture.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Settle any difference you have with a partner or co-worker. It's important that you are both on the same page if you want to be successful.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Go over documents that are linked to someone else. Joint ventures can be good, but if one party is more moderate than the other, problems will arise.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) An opportunity, financial gain or settlement is heading your way. Dealing with youngsters or a loved one or getting involved in a joint venture will bring favorable results.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) An emotional situation will throw you off your game. Try not to let what's going on at home interfere with your work life, and vice versa. Keep business and personal problems separate.

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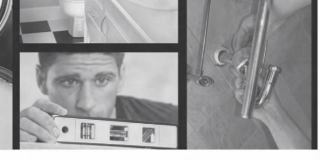

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